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B.I. PENINSULAR	3307	R. F. Briscoe	4th April.
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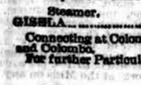

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THE PUBLIC MEETING called for the PRESENTATION of ADDRESSES to the Hon. Mr. P. M. MEHTA, C.I.E., will take place at the GAIETY THEATRE, on FRIDAY next, the 20th Inst., at 5-15 P. M., instead of on Saturday, the 21st Inst., as originally notified.

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NOTICE.
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.
SUIT NO. 178 OF 1894.
JAIKISSONDAS GANGADAS AND OTHERS, PLAINTIFFS,
vs.
TAPIBAI, WIDOW.....DEFENDANT.
RE ESTATE OF MUNGALDAS TAPIDAS, TRADING UNDER THE NAME OF TAPIDAS MANOREDAS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the claimants on the estate of the said deceased whose claims have been already admitted by the undersigned, but who have not hitherto drawn the amounts respectively payable to them under such admitted claims should attend within 21 days from the date hereof at the office of the undersigned, situate at No. 32, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, and take away the amounts payable to them under such claims in pursuance of the order of the 5th day of November, 1894, made in the above suit.

Notice is also hereby given that all persons being creditors of or otherwise having any claim against the Estate of the said deceased MUNGALDAS TAPIDAS, who have not as yet sent in their claims are hereby required to send to the undersigned at his said office on or before the 30th day of December, 1895, the particulars of their claims against the said estate, after which date the undersigned will proceed to wind up the said estate of the said deceased and report to the Honorable the High Court, having regard only to the claims of which he, the undersigned, shall then have notice. Dated this 16th day of December, 1895.

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ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.
SUIT No. 493 OF 1894.

WASSUDEW WAMAN of Bombay, Hindu inhabitant, residing at Shambhoo Mahadew Pakhadi at Worli, outside the Fort of Bombay .....Plaintiff.
vs.
NARAYEN KHUSHAL of Bombay, Hindu inhabitant, residing at Shambhoo Mahadew Pakhadi, at Worli foresaid .....Defendant.

Whereas in pursuance of a warrant of SALE of immoveable property, dated seventh day of December, 1895, the Sheriff has been directed to SELL the following property at the instance of the Plaintiff abovenamed.

FIRSTLY.—All that piece or parcel of Thokel (Fazendari) hilly land or ground called or known by the name of "Kotey" containing by admeasurement one thousand five hundred and eighteen square yards or thereabouts situate on the Northern side of a Public Govan or passage in Mothi Pakhadi at Worli, in registration sub district of Bombay, in the Island of Bombay, and bounded as follows:—on or towards the East and North by the property of Wassudew Wamanji, on or towards the West and South by public Govans (passages).

SECONDLY.—All that piece or parcel of Thokel (Fazendari) hilly land or ground called or known by the name of "Dharud" containing by admeasurement two thousand one hundred and sixty-eight square yards or thereabouts situate at Mothi Pakhadi at Worli, in registration subdistrict of Bombay, in the Island of Bombay and bounded as follows:—that is to say an or towards the East by the property of Shantaram Narayen, on or towards the West by the property of Wassudew Wamanji, on or towards the North by the property of Waman Sadashewji, and on or towards the South by the property of Gangadas Vijbhookandas.

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Tenderers to quote the price per ton of 50 Cubic feet, delivered at the Company's premises, Byculla, and state the maximum percentage of rejections allowed in the raft.

Tenders must be accompanied also by the specification of shipment, shewing clearly whether the Timber Tendered is Moulmein, Rangoon or Siam.

The Agent does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

ALFRED KING,
General Storekeeper.
General Storekeeper's Office, Parel, 10th December, 1895.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.
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TENDERS are invited for the supply of such quantities of Refined PETROLEUM or KEROSENE OIL, as the Company may require during the year 1896, estimated at 18,000 Cases.

Tenders which must be on the Company's Form to be obtained from the Undersigned), sealed, superscribed, and accompanied separately by a deposit of Rs. 1,500, will be received by the Agent, at his Office, Victoria Terminus, Bombay, up to 1 P.M. (Gun-fire), on WEDNESDAY, the 18th instant, after which hour no Tender will be taken.

The deposit will be held by the Company as security for the due and proper fulfilment of the engagement, failure in which on the Contractor's part will entail forfeiture of the deposit without the necessity of proving any absolute loss by the transaction, and the Railway Company may cancel the Contract.

The Agent does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

ALFRED KING,
General Storekeeper.
General Storekeeper's Office, Parel, 3rd December, 1895.

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ALFRED KING,
General Storekeeper.
General Storekeeper's Office, Parel, 30th November, 1895.

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		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Asiatic Banking Corp'n of Bombay	20,000	200	all	12 pr. ct.	1,472-12
Bank of Bengal	40,000	500	all	10 pr. ct.	1,345
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Commercial & Agency Co.	{15,000 / 15,000}	100	{100 / 75}	10 p.c.	170
EXCHANGE BANKS.					
Agra	100,000	£10	all	5 pr. ct.	80
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National Bank of India	40,000	£25	£12½	5 pr. ct.	300
PRESS COMPANIES.				Yearly	
Abbas Mamoo Press	200	1,250	1,250	75	137½
Anglo-Vernacular	100	500	all	18 pr. ct.	450
Arbuthnot (Kurrachee)	200	1,100	1,100	90	1,175
Art Printing Co.	167	1,000	1,000	dvd 14 x	225
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Bombay Gazette Steam Press	4,000	125	dv Rs12½		156½
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Bombay Steam Printing Co., Ltd	500	200	200	12	180
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Dnyan Prasarak	250	1,000	1,000	75	1,270
Education Society Steam Press	400	200	...	dvd Rs 8	97½
Examiner	160	8,500	500	25+80	1100
Gujarati	300	300	300	dvd Rs30	560
Hafiz Printing Company	450	450	500	dvd Rs10	290 xd
Indu Prakash	700	100	100	dvd Rs11	137½
Jam-e-Jamshed	240	450	450	Rs10	475
Mahomedi Printing Co., Ltd	200	200	all	18 pr. ct.	250
Mahomedi Steam Printing Co. Ltd	200	200	500	53	97½
Mechanic	1,000	125	125	dvd Rs 4	110
Native Opinion	2,000	50	400	Nil	350
Oriental Printing Co.	1,000	250	all	15	150
Pioneer Press	1,200	500	500	dvd Rs30	525
Rast Goftar	1,000	125	125	dvd Rs 9	136½
Rombay Times of India	1,400	500	500	25	485
Sabapathy (Printing)	500	500	500	75	480
Samachar	200	500	500	20	585
Stand and Mail Co	100	1,000	1,000	200	2,200
Subodh Patrika	400	2,000	750	50	520
Times of India, Woollen Mills	1,200	250	250	Nil	90
Surat Cotton Press Co., Ltd	370	200	all	12	200
Vakhatsar	—	1,000	1	9 dvd Rs65	210
RAILWAY COMPANIES.				guar.	
G I P R. Consolidated Stock	...	...	...	...	1,135
S.R. & C. I. R.	...	£100	all	5 p. c.	2,000
	...	£ 18	...	do.	533
SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.				Half yearly	
Alliance	1,200	1,000	all	20	605
Anglo-India	1,345	100	100	Nil	41
Bellasis & Co. (Bellasis)	371	00	all	9 per ct.	385
Bombay United	900	1,000	1,000	35	750 xd
Bombay Cotton Manufg. Co	900	500	500	30	520
Bombay National Manufg. Co., Ltd	500	1,000	1,000	...	710
Britannia Mills	1,000	1,000	1,000	Nil	450
Central India	1,000	500	500	60	1,050
China Mills Co Ltd	800	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.40	710
City of Bombay Mills	800	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.40	900
Coimbatore Spg. and W	1,000	100	100	...	110
Commercial Mills	500	500	500	25	675
Colaba Land & Mills	4,000	700	...	25 × Rs15	675
Dawoo Mills	800	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.50	640
Currumbhoy Mill	800	1,000	1,000	40	750
David Mill	1,400	500	500	dvd Rs.25	480
Dhuro Mills	1,000	1,000	1,000	50	430
Emperor	2,100	500	500	dvd 25	575
Framjee Petit	1,250	1,000	1,000	Nil	530
Hindustan	875	1,000	1,000	30	700
Hirji Nuglish Mills	700	500	500	40	660
Howard and Bullough	1,500	500	500	25	680
Hyderabad	1,000	1,000	1,000	75	1,275
Imperial Cotton	900	500	500	dvd Rs.30	460
Indian Manfg.	900	1,000	1,000	50	1,225 xd
Indo-China Manufacturing Co., Ltd	700	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.30	500
James Greaves	1,100	500	500	25	675
Jeffer Alli	800	600	600	Nil	225
Jeejeebhoy Manufacturing Co.	1,800	250	250	dvd Rs.10	190
Jewraj Baloo	1,000	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.40	1,030
Jubilee Mills	800	1,000	1,000	20	375
Khandesh	750	1,500	1,000	dvd Rs30	770
Khangaum Manfg. Co	400	250	250	Nil	900
Khatao Mills	1,000	1,080	1,000	dvd Rs45	800
Leopold	3,500	100	103	dvd Rs.10	258
Lord Reay Mfg	445	1,000	1,000	30	925
Laxmidas Spinning & Weaving Co	1,000	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.50	1,075
Madhowji	300	1,000	1,000	100	3,150
Mahalaxmee	600	1,000	1,000	N	320
Mahboob Shah Mills (Guj)	5,400	500	500	15 pr ct	260
Manockjee Petit	4,000	1,000	1,000	dv Rs100	2,390
Manockjee Sons	5,000	250	250	dvd Rs 6	155
Maneckji Seodasi	1,050	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs70	2,225
Mysore S & M		{ 250	dvd 44		
Co Ltd	4,000	{ 50			
Madura Mills	7,779	100	Nil		par
National	500	1,000	Nil		110
New Great Eastern	1,400	1,000	1,000	Rs 30	420
Oriental	5,735	625	625	Rs 22½	422½
Presidency Mills Co (Ltd)	743	1,000	1,000	40	1,400
Queen Mills	800	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs50	735
Rajee Mills	600	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs30	1,000 xd
Reason	1,500	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs60	1,240
Shalapore Mills	500	1,000	1,000	50	1,025
Standard	750	1,000	1,000	dvd 50	830
Southern India	1,000	500	500	15	115
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Sassoon Mills	2,362	250	250	dv Rs 15	300
Star of India	1,000	1,000	1,000	Nil	325
Swadeshi Mills	475	500	500	dvd Rs15	610
Sassoon and Alliance	2,000	00	500	dvdRs30	850
Union Spinning and Manufacturing Co	900	1,000	1,000	50	395
Vasanji Khunjee Lakhmishee Cotton Mill Co, Ltd	900	500	900	15	510
Victoria Mills	1,200	1,000	1,000	Nil	1,075
Western India	1,200	1,000	1,000	35	710
Wadia Mills	1,200	1,000	1,000	...	200
Union Mills Ltd	60	1,000	1,000	...	50
MISCELLANEOUS.				Yearly	
Alcock Ashdown	{1,750	100	100	15	365
Back Bay Baths	500	50	50	12	74
Badham Pile	5,000	100	100	10	134
Bombay & Burmah Trading Corporation	1,000	2,500	1,500	300	5,000
Do. New Issue	500	375	625	75	1,425
Bombay Ice Mfg. Co., Ltd	1,250	100	100	dvd 14	58
Bombay Land and Building Co., Ltd	400	500	500	5 pr. ct.	500
Bombay Flour Mill	720	500	500	50	1,000
Ducan Paper Mills	1,000	600	600	5 pr. ct.	250
Delisle and Norsheen India Flour Mills	1,500	200	200	12	218
Delisle Cloth & General Mills Co. Ld	2,800	250	250	8 pr. ct.	340
Indian Guarantee Surety Ship Assn	5,000	100	10	10 pr. ct.	17½
John Roberts & Co	1,500	100	100	10 pr. ct.	140
Kamp & Co	4,000	200	175	21	252
Karachee Landing	500	500	900	30	200
Maharanee Ice Manufactur Co., Ltd	3,500	100	100	Nil	—
Mazagon Hotel Co	4,000	100	100	dvd Rs15	150
Master Ferudjee	2,000	100	100	9 pr. ct.	40
Oriental Govt. Security Life Assurance	1,000	100	200	—	60
Port Canning Co	5,000	200	50	10 pr. ct.	155
Port Canning Co., Ltd	4,000	100	100	4	103
Queen Road	2,000	100	100	dvd Rs22	490
Rombay & Co	1,000	100	100	6	90
Thacker & Co	2,000	100	20	9	1,090
Tractor & Co	1,500	100	100	7	125
Tudalava Co	9,200	25	100	dvd Rs15	29

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Hagibee Gold	Rs.	27-10 Nom.
Gold Leaf	"	28
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Do. do. new	"	25-14
Ameerlia bar Gold	"	27-8
Bombay bar Gold	"	27
Sovereigns	"	17-4
Do. Dragons	"	17-8
Silver	"	94-8
Do.	"	94-10

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

H. E. the Governor's Levee, Secretariat, 4-30 p.m.
Bombay University, LL.B. and Second LL.B. Examination results, 5-15 p.m.
Albert Press Company, Dalal Street, 3 p.m.
Music at the Secretariat, 4-15 p.m.
Music at the Esplanade Bandstand, 5-45 p.m.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The steamer Alecto entered the dock on Monday, and the steamer Setos yesterday.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Lamu, Mombassa and Zanzibar, per extra s. s. Patna, will be closed at the General Post Office, at 7 a.m., to-morrow, Thursday.

BOMBAY CITY POLICE CLUB BALL.—This annual ball comes off on Friday, the 27th instant, at the Town Hall.

ATTEMPTED BURGLARY.—Dinshaw Cursetji Watchmaker, residing at Tardeo Road, has reported to the police that some time during Sunday night his sister saw a man entering her bedroom through a window, facing the sweeper's lane, and on her raising an alarm the thief absconded. On examining the place it was ascertained that an iron bar had been removed to effect an entrance. Fortunately nothing was stolen.

VELIDAI CHARITABLE DISPENSARY.—At this dispensary, established in Panchvati, Nassik, 4,187 patients were treated last month. Amongst them 2,910 were Hindus, 1,259 Mahomedans, 1 Parsee, and 17 Christians. Of the Hindus 345 were from Panchvati, 2,126 from Nassik, and 439 from the adjacent villages; of the Mahomedans 1,074 were from Nassik, and 185 from other villages; of the Parsees 1 from Nassik; and of the Christians 11 were from Nassik and 6 from the adjacent villages. Seventeen minor cases of surgical operations and of extracting teeth were performed during the month.

MUSIC AT THE SECRETARIAT (LEVEE).—The Band of the Bombay Volunteer Rifles will play the following programme at the Secretariat, this evening, at 4-15 :—

Overture	La Patrie—Seidel.
Valse	Carmen—Strauss.
Selection	The Gondoliers—Godfrey.
Abendlaulin	Idylle—Eilenberg.
Dance Morris	Henry VIII.—Edward.
Diana's Call (with Echo)	Arndt.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

MUSIC AT THE ESPLANADE BANDSTAND.—The Band of the 22nd Bombay Infantry will play the following programme at the Esplanade Bandstand, this evening, at 5-45 :—

March	Leyer und Schwerdt—Iser.
Selection	Bellsario—Donizetti.
Valse	The Shop Girl—Bucalossi.
Reminiscences of Offenbach	Conrad.
Valse	Laotitia—Fahrbach.
Gavotte	Charming—Boggetti.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

PROPRIETARY HIGH SCHOOL.—His Excellency Massir-ul-Mulk, special physician to his Highness the Shah of Persia, visited the Proprietary High School on Tuesday, accompanied by the vice-Persian Consul, Mr. Cawasji D. Banaji. His Excellency was received by the school authorities, and was shown over the different departments of the school. His Excellency expressed himself much pleased with the arrangements of the school. His Excellency was then taken to the spacious hall of the school, where the boys entertained the visitor with vocal and instrumental music. His Excellency gave two prizes, of the value of Rs. 50, to be awarded to the two best students of the Matriculation classes next year. His Excellency left the school amidst vociferious cheers. The annual school fete came off yesterday on the school premises and passed off with great success. The school building was decorated with flags, palm-trees, festoons and flowers.

INTERESTING TO RAILWAY PASSENGERS.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, one Sulleman Abahoo, a Mahomedan, was charged before Khan Bahadur D. D. Karaka, with assaulting and obstructing one Bahadur Khan Moonakhan, a porter in the employ of the G. I. P. Railway, in discharge of his duty as a porter at the Sion station. It appears that about half-past 6 o'clock, on Friday evening, accused got in a train at the Dadur station and travelled as far as the Sion station, where he alighted and was leaving the platform, when complainant., who was standing near the gate collecting tackets, asked accused to produce his ticket, which the latter refused to do, and was alleged to have assaulted complainant. His Worship, in disposing of the case, remarked that it was not the duty of a porter to collect tickets, and consequently accused could not be convicted on a charge of obstructing a public servant, but of simply assaulting him. For this latter offence he was fined Rs. 5.

ALLEGED ASSAULT AT GIRGAUM ROAD.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Messrs. Andrew Benjamin Fonseca and Angelo Fonseca appeared before Mr. W. R. Hamilton, Second Presidency Magistrate, to answer the charge of assault preferred against them by Burjorji Bezonji Daruwalla, a liquor shop-keeper at Girgaum Road, on the evening of the 23rd ultimo. Mr. Hugh Sealy appeared for complainant, while accused were defended by Messrs. Brown, de Messrs. Brown and Moir, and Mr. Furdoonji Sorabji Taleyarkhan, barrister-at-law. The circumstances under which the alleged assault was said to have been committed have already been reported. After the evidence of the prosecution was recorded, the accused in their defence stated that they never committed the assault, and that it was a trumped-up charge. The magistrate, in disposing of the case, remarked that if the complainant had been assaulted, it was his duty to apply for a summons. It was not the duty of the police to interfere in the matter, and if they went into other persons' houses in cases in which they could not take cognisance, they would have to put up with the consequences. The accused were discharged.

THE AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.—The above club recently gave its first performance to a large audience of "Falgunrao" by Mr. G. B. Dewal, and has consented in response to a special request to reproduce the piece. Falgunrao, or what might be termed the mischievous photo, is particularly attractive, and affords a fair specimen of the degree of suspicion a man who is wedded to a handsome lady can entertain. The dramatis personæ connected with this club sustain their respective parts in the play with great care. Falgunrao, the suspicious husband, is very creditably impersonated by Mr. Motilal Bapujee Senjit, of the Government Medical Stores. Ashwinshet, the "rival character," is well rendered by Mr. Ramkrishna Narayen, of the Gun Carriage Factory, while that of Bhadwya, the servant of Falgunrao, is also creditably discharged. Kritika, the wife of Falgunrao, a somewhat critical part, involving an exhibition of various degrees of temperament, is performed with good taste. This club is composed of employes in several respectable firms in Bombay, and has been organized with the laudable object of providing a source of amusement to the native play-going public. It is understood that a varied programme is in course of preparation for future performance.

ENTERTAINMENT AT MAZAGON.—The Mazagon juvenile amateurs provided a most enjoyable evening's entertainment for their friends on Saturday, when they gave a repetition of their private threatricals, comprising a fairy cantata, "Queen Ilovyon's Five o'clook Tea," and two humorous farces, "Caught in his own Trap" and "Black Justice," specially written for the occasion. Unqualified credit is due to the promoters for the elaborate manner in which the performance was staged, and it was evident that no pains had been spared to secure a complete success. The juveniles may perhaps see their way to repeat the performance in public, in aid of some seasonable charities or other deserving object. In the prologue of the cantata beautiful Queen Ilovyon intimates the existence of a newly arisen isle in her domain, after which she holds her court in the form of an afternoon tea, and all the "little slaveys of her fantasy," who are each in some way representative of tea-sipping, sing in turn the praises of the articles of the tea-service which they represent—some very charming dances being gone through between the chiming ditties. The artistic costumes helped to produce a most picturesque tableau, which was followed by another illustrating the recent conquest in the East, a capitally original idea. As for the farces, every effort was put forward by those responsible for the several parts to "run" them without a hitch. In fact, the young amateurs seemed quite at home, and fairly kept the small though crowded house in roars from start to finish. An original feature of the programme, and one that was heartily appreciated, was a well got-up dwarf show. The evening's entertainment was brought to a close by a few well-rendered character songs and a darkie serenade. If the face is a faithful barometer of the heart, it was quite evident that the guests thoroughly enjoyed the treat so kindly provided for them.

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BOMBAY MATRICULATION EXAMINATION RESULTS.

THE results of the Matriculation examination in connection with the Bombay University were declared yesterday afternoon. Out of 3,006 candidates, who had presented themselves for the examination, the following 942 were declared to have successfully passed the examination: 567 from Bombay Centre, 147 from Ahmedabad, 109 from Poona, 80 from Belgaum, and 39 from Karachi. The total number of successful female candidates is 38, out of which 20 are Christian, one Hindu, and 17 Parsee ladies.

The first Jagonnath Sunkersett Scholarship has been awarded to Janardan Vinayak Oka, while the second Jugonnath Sunkersett Scholarship has been obtained by Ragunath Govind Damle. The Cowasji Jehangier Scholarship has been awarded to Chrysantho Dias, while the Bai Manockbai Prize is gained by Amirudin Cumrudin Abdullatiff.

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Arsivala, Perozbai Nowroji
Athaide, Vincent
Athalye, D Vaijnath
Athavale, Mankibai
Atmaram-Bhukhanvala, H K
Avari, Sorabji Jamshedji
Avasti, Vithal Yasneshvar
Badshah, Navroji Barjorji
Bailey, Olive Agnes
Bakre, Pandurang Mahadev
Bakshi, Anandrai Bapubhai
Bakshi, Hiralal Manekial
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Bamji, Jamshedji Rustomji
Bana, Jehangirji Rustomji
Banaji, Pirozs
Banaji, Sorabji Nanabhoy
Bansod, Mahadev Abaji
Baptista, Lewis
Baria, Nowroji Edalji
Barrett, Rebecca
Barretto, Manuel
Bartley, Nora
Barve, Narayan Narhar
Barve, Sitaram Balkrishna
Basral, Ibrahim Usufally
Batlivala, Bamanji Framji
Batlivala, Goolbai Hormasji
Bengali, Nowroji Sorabji
Bhabe, Ganesh Lakshman
Bhagat, G Parshottamdas
Bhagat, J Jagjiwandas
Bhagwat, Lakshmanbhai
Bhaskar, Ganesh Mahadeo
Bhaka, Dossabhoy Pestonji
Bhamgara, K Jehangir
Bhaphkar, Sadashiv Gopalji
Bharucha, Behramji Barjorji
Bharucha, Hormasji Bejanji
Bhat, Bhikaji Ramkrishna
Bhat, C Umayashankar
Bhat, Harilal Bhagvanji
Bhat, Jaduram Purushottam
Bhat, Mohanlal Oghad
Bhat, N Dhanji
Bhat, Purushottam Jogibhat
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Bhatia, Narottam Morarji
Bhatia, Udhadas Narbadas
Bhinjekar, Samuel Reuben
Bhivandivala, N Hormasji
Bhosekar, P Narayan
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On FRIDAY, the 20th, and SATURDAY, the 21st instant, at 1 p.m. each day, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at No. 7, Church Gate Street, Fort, the valuable stock-in-trade of Messrs. Geyer and Co., consisting of oil engines, gas engines, flour mills, printing machines, pumps, fountains, grain and oat crushers, chaff cutters, patent foot copying presses, coffee mills, mincing and sausage machines, stoves, safes, sewing machines for harness and saddlery work, for tents and tarpaulins, for boot and shoe making and for family and household purposes, bicycles and tricycles, magic lanterns, piano, hand organs, mathematical instruments, musical boxes, patent nail drawers, coffee roasters, air pistols, mechanical toys, electrical goods, dynamos, arc lamps, medical batteries, electric bells, carbons, wires, &c., furniture and fittings, such as large glass cupboards, handsome plateglass, show cases, beautiful mirrors, English-made walnut writing desks, mahogany sideboard, pigeon holes, paper cabinets, despatch boxes, bentwood chairs, cash-box, a large collection of needles, shuttles, oil-cans, screw drivers, and other parts for dining machines, lamp, bells, tools, bags, and other accessories for cycles, &c.

The property is now on view.

Under instructions from the Administrator-General Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms on MONDAY next, the 23rd inst., at 3 p.m., the effects of the late F. W. M.BUTLER, Esq., consisting of glassware, crockery, best plateware, teakwood household and camp furniture, English chest of drawers, lamps, collection of beds, trunks, orgs, saddle, wearing apparel, table and bad linen books, hill tent, Rowtee, necessary tent, two [fox-terrier bitches, cases o fbrut and fish knives and forks, &c.

The above will be on view three days before the Sale.]

SALE OF SUPERIOR WINES.

On MONDAY next, the 23rd instant, at 3 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms;—

About 27 cases superior wines, consisting of Genetian wine white wine, Paulise claret, Macon champagne, Cuvee de Reserve chablis, Beaune cognac, and Oasile medoc claret.

The wines will be sold in lots to suit purchasers.

SALE OF A FIRSTRATE FULL SIZED SLATE BILLIARD TABLE BY BURROUGHS AND WATTS.

On TUESDAY, the 24th instant at 2 p. m., Messrs CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed for sell by Public Auction at the Byculla Billiard Saloon, Bellasis Road, opposite Messrs. Ladha Ebrahim's shop, one first rate full size mahogany slate billiard table with screw legs, with improved cushion and new cloth, set of pool pyramid and billiard balls, rolling pool and pyramid marking boards long and short cues, cue-rests, kerosine hanging lamps, billiard benches, pier glasses, pictures, sideboard, marble table, easy chairs, etc.,

Catalogues will be published, and the table will be on view four days before the Sale.

SALE OF A BONE CRUSHING MILL ON THE FRERE BUNDER.

On FRIDAY, the 27th instant, at 4 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises, by order of the heirs and legal representatives of the late Peerbhoy Damjee, the mortgagee, and on account and at the risk of the estate of the late Ruttonjee Mauckjee Minbuteow, alias the mortgager, in pursuance of the power of sale given in the indenture of mortgage, date the 2nd day of February, 1887, the following property, viz.:—

All that pucka built building standing on the Frere Land Bunder, outside the Fort of Bombay, in the registration district of Bombay, on the east side of Ghodapdeo Road Passage containing by admeasurement 555 and five-ninths of a square yard or thereabouts, and assessed by the Collector of Assessment under ward No. 8039, Street No. 49, and bounded on the east by the Bone-Crushing Mill known as of Ruttonjee Bomanjee and Co., on the west by the Ghorapdew Road Passage, on the north by the Frere Bunder Passage, and on the south by the vacant place be onging to the said Frere Land together with the engine crushing mills, power mill, disintegrator, &c., in and about the said premises and used as a Bone Crushing Mill.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to the Undersigned.

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Bombay, December 18, 1895.

BENNETT AND COMPANY,
No. 22, APOLLO STREET.

The Sale of the stock-in-trade of Messrs. Magondas and Jeramdas at No. 51, Medows Street, will be RESUMED TO-DAY, at 1 p. m., from lot No. 342, consisting Trichinopoly, Cutch, Cashmere, Katak, and Silkar work silverware.

TO CLOTH MERCHANTS AND OTHERS.

Jacob Sassoon Mill, E. D. Sassoon Mill, and Alexandra Mill.

THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 18th inst., at 2 p.m., Messrs BENNETT & Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms by order of Messrs. E. D. Sassoon and Co., and on account, and risk of the firm of Dosabhoy Thackersey—

About 500 bales of cloth of the above mills, comprising T cloth, dhoties, chudders, now lying ready at the above mills.

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N.B.—A deposit of 10 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

AUCTION SALE OF UNSERVICEABLE STORES, &c., AT THE G. I. P. RAILWAY GENERAL STORES DEPOT, PAREL.

TO-MORROW THURSDAY, the 19th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the abovementioned place unserviceable stores, consisting of crates of fire bricks, and boiled linseed and turpentine, iron hooks and bands, shovels, pickaxes, hammers, screen augers, telegraph insulators, coach screws, pole covers of zinc white glazed insulators, iron brackets, old loading boards and ladders, metal pans, iron ties, signal and station lamps, zinc of packing cases by weight, leather and India-rubber cuttings, old assorted nuts for bridge work, washers, foundation base bolts, old steel files, leather hose pipes, coir matting, old cast-iron weights, old lorry wheels, pieces of iron chain, old cotton and woollen clothings, telegraph wire, capying presses, roof lamps, scales, &c.

The above is on view.

ACTION SALE OF PLATE GLASS.

On SATURDAY, the 21st instant, at 3 p.m. Messrs Bennett and Co will sell by Public Action at their rooms, by order of Messrs Richardson and Cruddass and on account and risk of Messrs, Surat Alli Mamoojee and Co.,

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SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY SITUATE AT GAMDEVI ROAD.

Notice is hereby given that in exercise of the power of sale contained in a certain indenture of mortgage, dated the 20th of February, 1889, followed by 3 several indentures of transfer of mortgage, dated 26th May, 1893, and 22nd January, 1894, and the 23rd day of November, 1894, and the indenture of further charge, dated 8th December, 1894, and under the instructions of Pootlibai Bapubai Wellinker and Sonabai Bapubai Wellinker, the transferees of the mortgage, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises at Gamdevi Road on SATURDAY, the 4th day of January, 1896, at 4 p.m., (subject to the conditions of sale which will then be produced) the property which is described as follows in the said indentures:—

I. All that piece or parcel of Fazendari land or ground containing by admeasurement 2676 three hundred and seventy-six square yards and not 346 square yards as by mistake stated in the said indenture of mortgage of 20th February, 1889, whereof Gopikabai, wife of Juggonath Gopinath, and Nanabhoy Gopinath, are fazendars, together with the messuages, tenements, or range of chawls and building house and other buildings standing thereon (including the range of chawls or buildings which were in course of erection at the date of the said mortgage of 20th February, 1889) situate, lying and being at Gamdevi middle road, on the north side thereof without the Fort of Bombay in the registration subdistrict of Bombay and bounded as follows: that is to say on or towards the east by a piece of vacant Fazendari land, on or towards the west partly by the property of Juggonath Gopinath and partly by the property of Bhasker Bhawoo, on or towards the north by the property of the said Bhasker Bhawoo, and on the south by the said Gamdevi middle road, and which said premises are assessed in the books of the Municipality under Street Nos. 11 and 15, Ward Nos. 2757 and 2761, Street Dammer Street Ward D and are now in the occupation of the said DINANATH MUDDONJI and his tenants.

The conditions of sale can be seen at the Auctioneers or at the Office of Messrs. Little, Nicholson, and Bowen, Apollo Street, Bombay, Attorneys for the Mortgagees.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

TUESDAY EVENING, DEC. 17.

REUTER'S London financial telegram of last evening reports an advance of ¼ per cent. in Consols in London, at 107¼; but a decline of ¼ per cent. in French Rentes in Paris, at 100¾; with Paris Exchange on London a centime lower, at fcs. 25·22½. Indian Sterling Loan was ¼ per cent. higher in London, at 118. Three and a-half per cent. Rupee Securities were 1/8 per cent. higher, at £60¼. The price of Bar Silver in London was unchanged at 30 3-16d. per oz.; and in New York also the metal was unaltered in value at 66 cents per oz.; demand Exchange on London remaining at 4·88½ dollars.

An advance of 1-32d. took place in the price of spot Mid-Uplands Cotton in Liverpool yesterday; Arrivals being irregular, and showing no change in some, positions, and an advance or decline in others, the extreme quotations being 4 17-32d. for the recent deliveries, and 4d. in the most distant. East Indian Cotton was without change in prices. The market closed firm; Surats steady; and Arrivals steady; the day's Sales having been 10,000 bales; East Indians *nil*. The day's Imports were 23,000 bales. The Manchester market was quiet but steady.

In New York, yesterday, the price of ready Mid. Uplands Cotton remained at 8 9-16 cents per lb.; but March Futures were 4 points lower, at 8·33 cents. The Receipts at the U. S. Ports were 37,000 bales; and the present crop's figures to date compare as follows with those for the same time in the two preceeding years:—

	1895.	1894.	1893.
Monday's Receipts.....	37,000	78,000	53,000
Two days' Receipts	69,000	128,000	92,000
Since 1st September 2,956,000		4,496,000	3,654,000

Our local Cotton market has been quiet to-day with business upon a moderate scale, and prices all unchanged. The total purchases sum up 2,650 bales, all ready new stuff, of which Exporters have taken 1,150 bales, consisting of 600 Bengal, at Rs. 137; 200 Oomrawattee, at Rs. 206; 150 Akola, at Rs. 212; and 100 each of Karanja, at Rs. 208; and Khundwa, at Rs. 202½ per candy; while the Mills have bought 1,500 bales, made up of 500 each of Chalisgaum, at Rs. 190½; and Pachora, at Rs. 197½; 200 Julgaum, at Rs. 205; and 100 each of Mulkapore, at Rs. 212; Nugger, at Rs. 207; and Khangaum, at Rs. 211 per candy.

WHEAT has been steady to-day with a small export business passing; but prices are half-an-anna per cwt. higher, and we now quote:—

White Pessy, 91 per cent....	Rs. 4-4-0	per cwt.
Do. do. 85 „ ...	4-3-0	„
No. 1 Club Delhi.....	4-2-6	„
Red Delhi	4-0-6	„
Hard Yellow	3-9-6	„
Red Ahmedabad	4-1-0	„
Hard Red.....	3-5-0	„

SEEDS have been quiet in tone, with business upon a small scale. *Linseed* has declined half-an-anna per cwt.; but other descriptions are unchanged in value as follows:—

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
Linseed	7 1 6	to 7 3 6	per cwt.
Rapeseed, Yellow, Guzerat	7 3 0	to 7 4 0	„
Do. do. Cawnpore ...	6 11 0		„
Do. Red do	6 3 0	to 6 5 0	„
Gingelly, White.....	40 0 0	to 41 0 0	per candy.
Do. Mixed	38 9 0	to 39 0 0	„

The Receipts of Produce into Bombay on Sunday and yesterday were as follows:—

Cotton	20,312 bales.
Wheat	12,539 cwts.
Linseed.....	1,611 „
Gingellyseed.....	12,886 „
Groundnuts	1,534 „
Castorseed	2,016 „
Rice	11,265 „

FREIGHTS remain dull, not to say lifeless, and no fresh business worth mentioning has transpired to-day.

EXCHANGE opened firm at 1s. 1 7-8d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and at 1s. 1 31-32d. for three months' sight, Bank Bills remaining thereat throughout the day, with only a moderate amount of business passing both ways. Resale Telegraphic was reported early in the day at 1s. 1 29-32d. to some extent, and, later on, more was offering, but without any takers. Calcutta Bills are again reported to be plentiful, and rates there are stated to be about 1-32d. higher than those ruling here, and we close steady to firm as follows:—

Bank Bills on Demand.....1s. 1 7-8d.	per rupee
Do. Telegraphic.....1s. 1 7-8d.	„
Do. 3 months' sight....1s. 1 29-32d.	„
Credits 3 Do. .....1s. 1 31-32d.	„
Francs .....1·47¼	„

GOVERNMENT PAPER opened at 105 3/8 per Money and 105 3/16 for Account, at which the market remain steady all day, closing on the same level.

SHARES are unchanged, the only alteration in our quotations this evening being an advance of Rs. 5 in Manockjee Petit Mill shares.

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORT.

DECEMBER 17.

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

GREAT BRITAIN.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.
CONTINENT OF EUROPE.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.
AMERICA.—Via Brest, perfect. Via Valentia, perfect. Via Direct Cable, perfect.
AUSTRALIA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, interrupted.
CHINA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, interrupted. Via Bhamo, perfect.
AFRICA.—Via Aden, perfect. Via Cadiz Teneriffe, perfect. Via Lisbon St. Vincent, perfect.
Amoor route interrupted near Khabarowka.
Line Saigon Bangkok interrupted beyond Kabine.
Madagascar and Reunion mail closes at Mauritius at noon, on the 21st instant.

FOREIGN TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE.

Latest dates of foreign messages received at Bombay from the United Kingdom, during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m., of the 17th December, 1895.

(Difference in Longitude allowed for.)

Via.	Latest Dates. D.	H.	M.	Time occupied in transmission. Hours,	Minutes
Turkey	17	...	...	...	
Teheran	17	2	17 p.m.	...	26
Suez.....	17	3	0 p.m.	...	9

Time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay during the 24 hours ending 8 p.m., of the 17th December, 1895.

	Maximum Time. H.	M.	Minimum Time. H.	M.
From Calcutta.....	...	34	...	1
„ Karachi	..	8	..	1
„ Madras	...	36	..	1

RAJPUTANA-MALWA RAILWAY.

(Includes the Rajputana, Holkar, Sindia, Neemuch, Rewari-Ferozepore and Cawnpore-Achnera State Railways.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 30th November 1895 on 1,673·94 Miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings [estimated.]	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total traffic for the week	1,33,000	2,48,000	4,000	3,85,000
Or per mile of Railway	80	148	2	230
For previous 21 weeks of half-year.	28,30,198	41,86,451	1,23,367	71,40,016
Total for 22 weeks...	29,63,198	44,34,451	1,27,367	75,25,016
Comparison. Total for corresponding week of previous year	1,08,103	3,34,177	4,814	4,47,094
Per mile of Ry do.	64	200	3	267
Total to corresponding date do.	23,11,609	53,30,547	1,07,800	82,49,756

Decrease for the week..... Rs. 62,094
Do. to date ..... „ 7,24,760

THERMOMETER READINGS.

SUNDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 15.

10 p.m. ... 74·2

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17.

6 a.m. ... 71·0
10 a.m. ... 76·8
2 p.m. ... 83·0
4 p.m. ... 82·0

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

BOMBAY.

DEATH.

POOTLIBAI—December 17, at her family residence in Manordas Street, Fort, Bombay, Bai Pootlibai, widow of the late Sheth Nurrotumdas Madhowdas and mother of Messrs. Hurkisondas and Bhagwandas Nurrotumdas, aged 64. Deeply regretted.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

CONNOLLY—December 11, at Allahabad, the wife of Joseph A Connolly, of a daughter.
HOLMS—December 13, at Allahabad, the wife of J M Holms, Bengal Civil Service, of a daughter.

DEATH.

HENRY—December 11, at Barons Tea Estate, Dooars, Robert Henry, aged 38 years.

The Bombay Gazette

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1895.

A BOOK about the Amir Abdur Rahman, giving at first hand, from personal observation, a glimpse of the work of political, military, and social reconstruction which that grim and forceful ruler is carrying out in Afghanistan, may be said to supply a long-felt want. Such a book is given us by Mr. John Alfred Gray in a work just published by Bentley and Co., under the title "At the Court of the Amir." Mr. Gray, a medical graduate of the London University, gave up an appointment in England to accompany the present Sir Salter Pyne on his return to Kabul after his first purchase of machinery for the Amir's arsenal. He was well received by Abdur Rahman, and saw much of the Court, and a good deal of the country, visiting Turkistan and keeping his eyes open. He was qualified to paint an admirable portrait of the most absolute sovereign that has ever held sway in Afghanistan, and a reproduction of this portrait forms an appropriate frontispiece to the volume. The picture and the description recall that remarkable personality with striking fidelity. "He sat a swarthy heavily-built man, with broad white forehead and piercing eyes; his stooping attitude, with head advanced, showed little of grace, but seemed the personification of watchful strength; as the full-lipped mouth and square jaw betokened the inflexible will. Almost Persian in type, with the aquiline semi-Jewish features and coal-black hair of his race, he added to the courtesey of the Oriental something of the bluff heartiness of an Englishman." Such is the man of iron who has succeeded in breaking the power of the Afghan chiefs, substituting his personal rule for their traditional influence with the fierce and turbulent tribesmen, and who has even taught the fanatical moulvies to respect the civil power. Mr. Gray believes that the imperious character and ruthless methods of the Amir will succeed, and have in a large measure succeeded, in raising the moral plane of a population accustomed for long centuries to count cruelty and treachery among the manly virtues.

The administration of justice is characterised by a directness of purpose and an absence of sentimental considerations for the accused which would strike an Indian jury, always leaning to the side of mercy, as somewhat strange. The author quite casually made the acquaintance of one of the official executioners and learned something of the means by which the modern innovation of having criminals put to death in the privacy of the jail is secured in Kabul. Among the guards allotted to him was a big, very handsome man, but he had a curious furtive look in his eyes. He used to pull Dr. Gray's riding-boots off when he got home, and put out the candle. The author remarked once upon the curious look in his eyes, and was told that all in his particular profession had that look. On Mr. Gray enquiring what he did besides guarding the house they said, "Have you not noticed that on some nights another man takes his place?" Mr. Gray had noticed it, and was informed that he was one of the official executioners, whose duty it was to strangle certain of the prisoners in jail. "The unfortunate is told one day that he will have the privilege that night of sleeping in a separate room. He is conducted there, and finds there is one other occupant of the room. As soon as he is asleep the other occupant—my friend!—secretly placing a noose round the neck of the sleeper, suddenly draws it tight and throws his whole weight upon the chest, striking the victim violently over the heart." This method of inflicting capital punishment with silence and despotism is sometimes abused by the prison authorities, and even by higher personages for their private ends. The late Governor of Kabul and Chief of the Police, Naib Mir Sultan, who has been recently hanged for many iniquities, was fond of getting rid of prisoners in this way, after extracting the last rupee from their relations by deluding them with the hope that he would intercede for them with the Amir. They would be informed eventually that he in whom they were interested had died in jail of illness. When the Amir was informed of these malpractices he was very angry with the Governor of Kabul, and in the first instance fined him, it is said, the incredible sum of a hundred lakhs of rupees. Finding that the fine was paid, the just ruler rightly concluded that there was the wherewithal to pay more, and he inflicted a further mulct which reduced the transgressor to beggary. When brought before his Highness, he was so insolent that the Amir seized him by the beard and struck him in the face. The soldiers hurried him out to a convenient tree, where he was hanged without further ado. Another instance of swift justice is that of the punishment inflicted by Prince Habibulla at the instance of a mother who appealed to him against a soldier who had slain her son. The Prince heard the evidence carefully, and gave the order that, according to Afghan law, the mother should have life for life. The soldier was tied to a chair in a sitting posture and a knife given to the aggrieved mother, who seized the beard of the murderer, wrenched his head back and cut his throat, crying "God is Great!" She then took the gushing blood in the hollow of her hands and lapped it up with her lips. Her boy was avenged and justice was satisfied.

The stern rule of the Amir has cowed the robbers who made it at once a business and a pastime to murder and rob the wayfarer. Mr. Gray tells a characteristic story of a certain Afghan, who, watching on the hills, saw a traveller proceeding on his way with a burden on his shoulders. "Why," said he, "that is without doubt a rascal of a Hindu moneylender going to Kabul with rupees and gold to lend to the faithful at usury. This shall not be!" He levelled his rifle and the traveller fell. When the Afghan eagerly opened the pack to see the treasure, out rolled the melon. He was in agony and loudly declared that he was thus punished for his sins: "My cartridge, my good cartridge, is gone; wasted, and what have I? Only a melon!" And he lifted up his voice and wept. That noble sport which combined the profits of business with the delights of gambling is now too dangerous to be followed. Even the regions between Kabul and Turkestan haunted by robbers, which came to be known as the Valley of Death, can now be traversed in safety. It is a distinct step in advance when the traveller with a melon in his pack may sing in the robber's face, and good cartridges are not wasted on the mere chance of securing a good haul of silver or gold. We have heard so much of the stern and implacable side of the Amir's character that it is pleasant to come upon an incident in his character which shows that he is not insensible to gratitude, and that he is capable of a certain magnaminity. When he was in Samarcand a Sirdar, who was his companion in exile, took service with the Russians, and sent part of his pay regularly to his impoverished master. When fortune changed and Abdur Rahaman became Amir, a beautiful shield inlaid with gold was brought to his Highness. The Sirdars assembled in Durbar Hall praised the shield, which was obviously to be given to one of the most deserving. The Amir slowly cast his eyes round the throne, and then lighting on his former companion in exile, he called out: "Nassir! Stand forward!" Out of a far corner came Nassir. The Amir turned to the anxious circle, and said: "Look upon this man. He was with me in Samarkand." The heart of the courtiers sank; Nassir, then, was to be the recipient of the shield. "He was with me in Samarcand, and for a little thing he turned and cursed me. These were his words"—and the Amir repeated the curse. "Is this so?" he said to Nassir. The old man hung his head in shame. "He cursed me. He half drew his sword on me, his master. What is this man worthy of?" There was a dead silence; the shield was forgotten, for behold Nassir's day had come. It had; but not in the sense anticipated. "Give him the shield," said the Amir. "He was with me in Samarcand." It is very evident from this that the Amir has a grim sense of humour, and is not averse to a practical joke at the expense of his old nobility. And it is equally evident that he can, on occasion, forgive if he cannot forget an affront on the part of one who had proved his devotion in the hour of adversity.

REUTER wired yesterday that the extra Russian guardship had arrived in the Bosphorus. How long will it be before the ship is followed by other men-of-war bearing the Muscovite flag? It is well to bear in mind that the presence of Russia sooner or later at Constantinople is the price which we shall have to pay for the Egyptian protectorate. This aspect of the question is not dimly indicated in the plans for the partition of Turkey which are now so freely discussed in London. The *Spectator*, which is entitled to the credit, such as it is, of having first proposed as a practical policy the squaring of the Dual Alliance by presenting the Coveted City to the Czar, and Syria to France, returns to the topic with unabated confidence. It recommends every Englishman desirous of possessing the boon of a resolved mind, to think over certain alternatives. Are we prepared to let Russia have Constantinople, or to insist at the full risk of war, that a weak Power, Greece or Bulgaria, should be installed at the Sublime Porte? These are, in the writer's view, the only alternatives if Turkey be overthrown, as it must be, if the combined fleets appear in the Bosphorus and take action. While Greece or Bulgaria at Constantinople might give promise of a confederation of the Balkan States—if Russia were powerless to prevent that consummation,—the *Spectator* would prefer to hand over Byzantium to Russia and have done with it as less likely to bring about a great war. It would also, we are candidly told, hasten the partition of Turkey which the writer would consider such a gain to the world as to compensate for any risk attending the aggrandisement of the Slavonic Empire. But that risk, we are assured, would not be very serious with Great Britain in Egypt and Arabia, Austria at Salonica, and France in Syria, which would give her an interest in discouraging Russian aggression. But whether serious or not, the risk is one that in our contemporary's judgment ought to be accepted courageously. Another and a more elaborate scheme of partition has been drawn up by Mr. Stevenson, who happens to be the Secretary of the Armenian Committee, of which the Duke of Westminster is President. His plan would divide Asia Minor between Russia and Austria, establish Constantinople with a cabbage garden as a free city garrisoned by a cosmopolitan gendarmerie, allot Syria to France; Arabia to Britain; Tripoli and Albania to Italy; two-thirds of Macedonia to Bulgaria; the coast up to and including Salonica with Crete and Cyprus to Greece. The old kingdom of Cilicia reconstituted as the independent State of Armenia, would complete this notable plan, the attempt to realise which would entail war at the very outset between Russia and Austria in Asia Minor, and France and Italy in North Africa. It is, however, a sign of the times that such plans are published in the London press and discussed in a more or less serious spirit, while the same papers tell us that Russia "shows no desire to profit by the troubles of Turkey." On the other hand, officers of the Russian Army are refused leave for even a day, and the Black Sea fleet has been revictualled and fully supplied with war material so as to be ready for service of an hour's notice. Is it with reference to these preparations for the unforeseen that the organ of the French Foreign Office declares sententiously that Europe will never tolerate an attempt to make the recent troubles in Turkey, now calming down, an excuse for the dismemberment of the Ottoman Empire?

ONE of the most pathetic tragedies yet recorded is that which is reported as having taken place at Sydney wherein Mr. Arthur Dacre, the tragedy actor, shot his wife, Miss Amy Roselle, and then committed suicide. The two had taken out a theatrical company to Australia. It had not succeeded in securing public support, and the two artists, devoted to each other in adversity as well as prosperity, resolved to die together. Dacre shot his wife and then himself, and they died locked in each other's arms. Both artists had met with professional discouragement and financial loss through untimely theatrical speculation before they left England. Australia was the Eldorado of their dreams, where gold was once more to follow their efforts on the stage. This dream, says the Sydney paper, was rudely shattered. Nothing but disaster ensued, and finally they agreed together to end all in death. After some fourteen years of happy married life, whilst still fondly attached to one another, and with talent and good health still on their side, they retired from the fight. Mrs. Dacre sacrificed herself to a feeling of wifely affection. She is said to have been of a resolute and courageous disposition, and of an even and gracious temper, which made her beloved by her comrades on the stage. Mr. Dacre, on the other hand, though of a kindly disposition, was an exceedingly excitable man, at all time voluble, and prone to imagine that his merits were not recognised by the world as they deserved. The act was deliberate; and not the least pathetic incident in the painful tragedy was the farewell letter to the managers of the Theatre Roy

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

ATTACK ON A CARAVAN AT UGANDA.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

News has been received that the Masai tribe has attacked a caravan on the Uganda road, and that one thousand men were killed during the attack.

REPULSE OF TURKISH TROOPS.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 16.

A body of Turkish troops attacked the Cretan reformers, but were repulsed with a loss of twenty-four killed and thirty-six wounded. The Turkish Government are sending reinforcements to the Island.

THE GUARDSHIP QUESTION.

The extra Russian Guardship has arrived in the Bosphorus.

THE SITUATION IN TURKEY.

Dec. 17.

The general situation here is viewed with less disquiet, though the reports from the provinces continue to be unsatisfactory.

FRANCE AND HER AFRICAN COLONIES.

PARIS, Dec. 17.

M. Guieysse, Minister for the Colonies, demands fresh credits, amounting to eighteen hundred thousand francs, towards the French African Colonies.

ITALY AND ABYSSINIA.

ROME, Dec. 17.

Signor Crispi, speaking in the Chamber of Deputies, defended the policy of the Government in Abyssinia, and said that the defeat of the Italians at Ambalagi would change nothing. General Baratieri, he added, retained their confidence, and the Government proposed to pacify the occupied provinces and fortify the frontier.

FIGHTING ON THE CONGO.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 17.

Latest advices state that Captain Lothaire has decisively routed the insurgents at Lulnaburg on the Congo.

THE UNITED STATES TREASURY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.

Mr. Carlisle, Secretary to the Treasury, in his report estimates that the deficit for the current year will amount to seventeen million dollars. He proposes to cancel greenbacks, and reduce the small paper currency in order to make room for silver coins and certificates.

THE IN-COMING MAIL.

ADEN, Dec. 16.

The P. and O. Co.'s s. s. Oriental, with the English mails of the 6th instant, left here for Bombay, at 7 p.m., to-day.

UNVEILING OF SIR STEUART BAYLEY'S STATUE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 17.

His Excellency the Viceroy, to-day, performed the ceremony of unveiling the statue of Sir Steuart Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal from 1887 The statue is of marble, and is the work of ycroft, the well-known sculptor.

S BY A WANDERING BAND.

ived by telegram officially, on Monday, ommitted on the 38th Dogras by the fully confirmed. It appears, however, age was committed by a wandering e occurrence has no political signifi-

PROSPECTING IN CHOTA NAGPORE.

ment of India will, in all probability, list shortly to consult with Dr. Warth discovered near Chota Nagpore.

N TELEGRAPH ACCOUNTS.

of the Indian Telegraph Depart- e been prepared for the annual nt, are on the whole most favour-

PEDITION TO KAFIRISTAN.

dition to Kafiristan has been readiness to proceed from Cabul by March.

TENANT-GOVERNORSHIP OF BENGAL.

Mackenzie assumed charge of the -Governor of Bengal, to-day.

COMING CONGRESS.

A CORRESPONDENT.)

KOLHAPUR, Dec. 17.

meeting was held for electing Congress in the Congress Hall, Babasaheb Ranade presiding. barrister-in-law, Krishnarao, zrekars, High Court pleaders, te, and some other gentlemen proceedings closed with hearty mpress.

S TELEGRAMS.]

MOVEMENTS.

SUEZ, Dec. 16.

Clan Grant left here for utta this morning.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

Clan Macpherson arrived

NAPLES, Dec. 16.

er Rewa left here yester-

LYMOUTH, Dec. 16.

Ballaarat arrived here

GAPORE, Dec. 17.

Brindisi arrived here

Maria Valerio from g.

LOMBO, Dec. 17.

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ON, Dec. 16.

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

(FROM OUR COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, Nov. 29.

The question of the Indian cotton duties, like the poor, is ever with us. On Wednesday Mr. T. Garnett, president of the United Cotton Manufactures, and Mr. W. Tattersall, the cotton employers' secretary, had a long interview with Lord George Hamilton, at the India Office, on the question of the Indian cotton duties. Not only so- publication has this week been given to a corre' spondence, between Mr. T. H. Sidebottom, M.P. for Stalybridge, and Lord George Hamilton. Mr. Sidebottom wrote to the Secretary of State calling his attention to "the great injury which is being inflicted upon Lancashire and the cotton districts generally by the imposition of the Indian import duties," and intimating that he thought the Government did not realise the intensity of the feeling which prevailed in Lancashire on this subject. He further sententiously observed that the general opinion was that if England was bound to make good the deficiency in the Indian revenue, the charge should be borne by the whole country, and not by Lancashire alone. In reply, Lord George Hamilton, wrote a friendly letter, stating that he was quite aware of the strong feeling which existed in Lancashire, and that he was doing his best to eliminate all protective tendency, but that it was not an easy process. But this did not satisfy, Mr. Sidebottom who wrote again to his lordship saying that what was wanted in Lancashire and the adjacent counties was the total repeal of the duties —a statement for which, presumably Lord George Hamilton was not unprepared. Mr. Sidebottom urged that the enhanced price which the imposition of these duties had placed upon British goods had tended greatly to restrict their demand. He also contended that British manufactures were treated unfairly inasmuch as the duty was placed upon British cloth, but was only levied on Indian yarn, and as yarn in the cloth formed only about one-half its value, the British manufacturer was practically being made to pay nearly double that paid by the Indian manufacturer. This was a somewhat curious argument in a letter bluntly avowing that the total repeal of the duties was what Lancashire had in view.

The London tea market has been dull of late, as the auctions continue heavy, 60,667 packages being offered last week, while the quality and quantity of the Indian teas put upon the market has affected values of low-priced teas. The supply of good teas is comparatively small, and these continue in strong demand. The average price of Indian teas sold last week was, however, 9¼d. per pound, against 10¼d. during the corresponding week of 1894, while the prices of Ceylon teas averaged 9d., against 10¼d. per pound twelve months ago. The demand for Indian and Ceylon teas is increasing outside the United Kingdom. According to the latest statistics 35,000,000lb. have been delivered abroad up to the end of September, against 28,000,000lb. during the whole of 1894. The demand for the United States and America generally is also increasing, the amount exported from January 1 to October 31 showing an increase of 129,263lb. in Indian and 691,495lb. in Ceylon. This increased consumption outside the United Kingdom encourages the efforts which have lately been made by Indian and Ceylon planters to open up new markets. Australia is steadily increasing the quantity annually consumed, and appears to be following the example of the United Kingdom in the gradual displacement of China tea by Indian and Ceylon. This is noteworthy since it has been a standing anomaly for many years that England has been almost alone in appreciating the superiority of Indian and Ceylon tea to the Chinese article. Many were the attempts made to find markets in other countries, but, until quite recently, it seemed as if our planters would have to be content with British custom alone. As the above statistics will show a great change, however, has latterly occurred. At the same time, the United States, Australia, and even Russia have considerably increased their direct imports of the British-grown herb, and it may be pretty safely assumed that, as the knowledge of its superiority spreads in these and other countries, the demand will continuously increase. The one exception is, oddly enough, South Africa, which still remains faithful to Chinese tea. Why this should be the case among people not particularly given to sticking to ancient ways remains to be explained. But for many years the go-ahead Australians displayed the same strange preference, in spite of the most determined efforts to convince them that they would benefit by following the example of the mother country. Perhaps the "Capers" are merely making shift with their old source of supply until they can produce tea for themselves. It is already experimentally grown in some parts of Cape Colony, and experts predict that, before the end of the century, tea growing will become an established and highly profitable industry in that marvellous land.

The growing effectiveness of Japanese competition is now testified to from a new quarter. The British Consul at Honolulu, the capital of the Sandwich Islands, states that in this mid-Pacific region a considerable increase has taken place in the imports from Japan, whilst those from United States and Great Britain have fallen off. The following figures, giving the imports from these several countries in 1891 and 1894, illustrate this statement :—

Imports into the Sandwich Islands.

	1891. £	1894. £
United States	1,091,948	898,071
Great Britain	247,773	96,000
Japan	12,491	37,922

To a great extent, the writer observes, the enlargement of imports from Japan is attributable to an increased immigration of Japanese labourers. A number of mercantile houses have been established at Honolulu for the supply of their own countrymen's wants. But it is added that the introduction by them of Japanese productions has led to a displacement, even in respect of other consumers, of goods formerly obtained from the United States or England. The change is partly due to the lower prices of the imports from Japan and partly to the imitation of American and English trade marks. An example of this latter cause of successful competition is cited, in which Japanese soap is sold in packages bearing the names and labels of United States manufacturers.

Another anxious settlement on the Stock Exchange has been disposed of with much less friction and trouble than was at one time anticipated. Of course, the recent upward movement in prices has materially assisted in bringing about this result. That there has been no declarations of default, however, is regarded as very satisfactory, and while no great rise in prices is looked for the general view is that there will be no further serious decline. Next week's Paris settlement is causing much less apprehension than was at one time the case, it being generally felt that there is not likely to be any difficulty which is not already known of. The general feeling, therefore, is one of hopefulness, which is accentuated by a growing impression that the position of affairs in the East will lead to no alarming complications. In the absence of serious political alarm, and with the continuance of easy money and improving trade, markets will speedily right themselves and get over the worst effects of the recent bad business. Once again a change has come over the condition of the Money market, and whereas a week or ten days ago a general idea was prevalent that a gradual upward movement in rates would be witnessed, the view now held is that the tendency during the remainder of the year will be rather downward than upward. This change is mainly due to two considerations, namely, the resumption of exports of gold from the United States and the reduction in the requirements for monetary accommodation in connexion with Stock Exchange transactions. Anyhow, with a reserve of thirty-four millions and a market supply of cash, allowing for the amount standing to the credit of the Japanese Government of approximately 36¼ millions, it is useless to anticipate much improvement in the value of money. The discount rate for three months' bankers' acceptances has fallen back to nearly 1 1/8 per cent., while day-to-day money is obtainable at as low as ¼ per cent. Further large amounts of gold are on the way to this country, and it is estimated that the total receipt, including yesterday's large amount, will reach a sum of about two millions before next week's Bank figures are published. It is not at all improbable, therefore, that the bill broker and discount houses who recently raised their allowances for money on deposit will have to retrace their steps.

The statement of the cotton movement of the United States to November 15 inclusive prepared by Mr. Henry C. Hester, of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, gives the amount of this year's crop in sight to that date as 2,939,255 bales, against 3,939,640 bales to the same date last season. In a note Mr. Hester explains that his figures correspond exactly with those to the same date in previous seasons, so as to ensure a perfectly accurate comparison. The proportion of the whole crop in sight on the evening of November 15 in 1894 was 39·79 per cent., in 1893 39·91 per cent., and in 1892 40·81 per cent. If it be assumed that an average of these three ratios, viz., 40·5 per cent, is the proportion this year, it will appear that the total crop will work out to 7,257,419 bales. It may be, indeed, that the proportion already received is larger than this average, since it is known that more than usual of last year's production was held back on the plantations at the close of last season, and this may have gone to swell the receipts to the date of Mr. Hester's return. On the other hand, the *New Orleans Picayune* of November 16 states that farmers are this season in a better position to withhold their cotton than they have been for many years, and the question is whether the movements of prices have been such as to induce them to keep it back or to send it freely to market. It must be observed, too, that the result of a comparison with the proportional receipts to the date in question in the last three seasons indicates a considerably larger crop than that foreshadowed by Mr. Henry Neill and other authorities.

It is stated that a scheme is on foot among certain leading Anglo-Australians to introduce at the Antipodes a chartered company similar to those companies which have done so much to open up Africa. It is sought in this case to acquire 50,000 square miles of what is known as the "Northern territory" of South Australia. This land, much of which is desert, lies within the tropics, and has proved an impossible country for the white labourer. At present the cost of administering it results in a yearly loss of £50,000 to the colony. Proposals have been made from time to time, both in Parliament and out of it, to rid the colony of this incubus, and the report of a Commission appointed to inquire into the matter is now before the local Legislature. But the great bugbear is the fear that coloured labour would be introduced were the land to pass into other hands. The promoters of the projected company are proposing to lease the territory, if acquired, at 6d. per mile, giving, it is understood, and undertaking to spend £100,000 in developing it, with the right of purchase at the end of three years.

There can be no doubt that one of the chief requirements in connection with the discussion of the currency question is a wider diffusion of the statistics of the case, which would do much to dissipate prevalent erroneous ideas on the subject which have not been subjected by those who hold them to the test of exact inquiry. A reprint from the *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society* (9, Adelphi Terrace, Strand, London) of an excellent paper entitled "Some Statistics Bearing on Bimetallism," by Mr. J. Barr Robertson, which goes far to supply this want. The appendix consists of tables showing the world's production of the precious metals from 1493 to 1885 in both weight and value, the production and coinage form 1873 to 1894, the coinage of gold and silver in France in each year from 1795 to 1894, the French gross import and export movements of the precious metals from 1815 to 1894 and the net movements, the stock or gold and silver in the Bank of France in each year from 1811 to 1894, the Indian net imports of each of the precious metals, the average rates of exchange, and the prices of standard silver in London since 1801, tables of the net imports and exports of gold and silver for the United Kingdom since 1858, illustrations of the fluctuations in the foreign exchanges, a table of the monetary systems and approximate stocks of money in the aggregate and per head in the principal countries of the world, and so on. These tables are also summarised and their meaning explained in the paper, which may be recommended to the attention of all serious students of the question.

The other day Mr. Balfour expressed his fears that there might be amongst retail dealers and their customers a rooted objection to the compulsory adoption of the metric system within a period comparatively short. It would therefore be well if some authoritative statement were made on behalf of these sections of the community. The retail grocers, provision dealers, and drapers have numerous local and district associations scattered over the country, and these have it in their power to enlighten Parliament and the public generally upon this important subject. As to the great and unqualified advantage of the change both for buyers and sellers there can, of course, be no question. The specific points for consideration would be the readiness of the various traders and their customers to adopt the new mode of specifying quantities and quotations, and the length of time during which its adoption should be voluntary. In Germany retailers willingly made the alteration, exhibiting specimens on their counters of the new weights and measures, with their names and equivalents, when the metric system was optional, and buyers took a sort of pride in ordering goods under the new denominations. Whether or not this would be the case here is a question upon which the associations would be competent to give valuable advice. In considering the length of the interval during which the new system should be voluntary it must not be forgotten that such a period would be more or less a period of confusion, and that, for this reason, it ought not to be prolonged beyond the time necessary to familiarise the minds of all concerned with the new quantities of weight and measure. The Hull Provision Dealers and Grocers' Association has commendably taken the step of issuing to its members cards of metric weights and measures with their English equivalents.

In a pamphlet on a proposed London and Paris Railway, Mr. William Collard has the courage to advocate the construction of a new route between London and Paris, by which he believes the journey from one of these capitals to the other might be accomplished in 4¼ hours. Mr. Collard proposes to construct a straight railway (that is, a line without curves) between London, Maidstone, and Dover, and a similar line between Calais, Amiens, and Paris, with very easy gradients, and to provide a new service of fast steamers to run between Dover and Calais. He admits that the cost of the railways would be very heavy, as a large quantity of tunnelling and excavating would have to be done; but the straightness and easy gradients would allow of a higher average rate of speed being maintained by the trains than on any line at present, though the maximum speed required in order to do this is daily exceeded by fast trains on the three Northern railways. The steamers would be built to a contract speed of 25 knots, and one hour would be sufficient for the passage; their capacity would be 1,000 tons. Mr. Collard estimates the total capital required at £41,000,000 in round figures, including £1,500,000 as the cost of the steamers. It is admitted that on this side the Channel the scheme would be opposed by the existing railway companies conveying Continental traffic, and that on the French side the Northern Railway Company of France holds a concession granting exclusive rights for the construction and working of railways in the district, which does not expire until 1950. But Mr. Collard thinks that public opinion would support the scheme in this country, and that the French Government might be induced to buy back the unexpired portion of the concession to the French Northern Railway. Those persons who take a practical or merely curious interest in the proposal, whether as investors, engineers, or travellers, will find many additional details in the pamphlet itself.

A Slavery Convention between Egypt and Great Britain was signed at Cairo on Nov. 21. It is in the terms of the original project drawn up by Lord Cromer in consultation with Sir John Scott, Mr. Gorst, and Mr. Chapman, directors of the Slavery Bureau. It is accompanied by a law which will be passed after being submitted to the native Legislative Council, and which inflicts increased penalties for the ill-treatment, sale, purchase, and transportation of slaves. The passing of the law (says the *Times'* Cairo correspondent) will gradually but certainly result in the complete abolition of every form of slavery throughout Egypt. Article 5 of the Covention declares that every slave in Egyptian territory is entitled to full and complete freedom, and may demand letters of enfranchisement whenever he desires.

AFFAIRS IN PORTUGUESE INDIA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

GOA, Dec. 15.

A highly sensational drama was enacted in this city on the night of the 12th instant, the chief actors being the redoubtable Captain Gomes da Costa, and Dr. Rocha, head of the Medical Service, and a lady. The scene was laid in the house of the gallant Captain, and the performance came to an end at the residence of Mr. Taborda, the Chief Secretary to Government. Revolvers, whips, broken heads, and broken legs, and plenty of noise, at the dead of night were some of the accompaniments. The Chief Secretary, some friends, and a body of police were the only spectators of this interesting performance. The lady in regard to whom these proceedings took place is already on her way to Europe, and the assaulted doctor may have to go before a medical board as soon as his injuries allow of his proceeding to Europe.

It is reported that Mr. Mancel Jose d'Abreu, an advocate, and belonging to no party, has been arrested while on his way, to Parra. The charge against him is supposed to be that the deserters consulted him about the validity of the amnesty the late Governor-General granted, though it appears that he did not give any opinion.

The receipts of the W. I. P. Railway for the week ended 30th November averaged Rs. 277 per mile, compared with Rs. 213 for the corresponding period last year. The total receipts for the twenty-one weeks of the second half-year amounted to Rs. 1,76,015, against Rs. 1,45509 for a similar period last year. The total number of sailing and steam vessels that entered the Marmagoa Port during the month of November was eighty-nine, and those that left in the same month to 153.

His Excellency the Governor-General has addressed a letter to Senhor F. J. Ferreira de Amaral, Commanding the man-of-war Vasco da Gama, giving the good news of the discovery of the slab which up to 1565 covered the remains of the great and terrible Affonso d'Albuquerque. The slab is offered to Senhor Ferreira de Amaral, as President of the Geographical Society of Lisbon, requesting him to stop the Vasco da Gama at Aguada in order that a salute may be fired from the several saluting batteries before the precious stone is transported to Portugal. The Governor-General adds in his letter that Goa will remain Portuguese until the last soldier is left to defend the flag. The slab shows that Affonso d'Albuquerque died on the 15th December, and not on the 16th December as several historians have recorded. The slab was found in a mountain of debris during the excavations of the ruins of *Misericordia* and the Church of N. S. de Serra, which the labourers had thrown there without knowing its importance. It may be mentioned that the remains of Affonso d'Albuquerque at the request of his son of the same name were removed to Portugal during the Viceroyalty of D. Antonio de Noronha, and arrived there on 6th April, 1566, and deposited in the Church of Graga on the 19th May of the same year.

THE IN-COMING MAIL.

The P. and O. Co.'s s. s. Oriental, with the English mails of the 6th instant, left Aden at 7 p.m., on Monday, and may be expected to arrive in Bombay harbour at 2 p.m., on Saturday. She brings the following passengers :—

From London.

Army, Sister
Ash, Mr H R
Beaver, Mr P
Bell, Mr W
Black, Mr
Blake, Miss
Bowen, Mrs, Miss and 2 infts
Briscie, Mr
Briscoe, Mrs and 2 infants
Cama, Mrs
Campbell, Capt, Mrs and 2 children
Cartwright, Mr A G
Chier, Miss
Christie, Mr H H
Clare, Sister E
Clarke, Miss M
Comyne Mrs and child
David, Mr
Dormer, Lord
Drew, Mr and Mrs
Ellis, Mr R P
Evans, Mr M
Finnis, Snb-Lieut G H
Franks Mrs Norman & child
Fryer, Mr
Gardar, Miss
Gibbes, Mr F H
Grace, Sister
Grant, Mrs
Harris, Mrs and Miss
Harrower, Mr and Mrs P
Harvey, Mr
Hatton, Mr E
Herring, Mr
Hexall, Mr
Hewetson, Mr G W
Hill, Mr E G
Holland, Mr and Mrs
Hyde, Mrs and Miss
Jones, Mr M L P
Kember, Rev and Mrs
Leistekow, Mr
Lever, Mr G T
Macdonald, Capt
McLaren Mr R
McNair, Mr G
Macnamara, Mrs
Manson, Mrs T and infant
Marshall, M E
Martin Mr F B
Mary, Sister
Massie, Mr E
Mathews, Mr J P
Meln, Miss
Morritt, Mrs
Mowat, Mrs
Murray, Capt H Brooke
Murray, Lieut and Mrs J H S
Phillips, Mrs A
Pyle, Mr E P
Porter, Mr, Mrs and Miss
Ramsey, Miss E
Rigby, Mr C A
Scroope, Mr H W
Sharpe, Mrs C F
Smedley, Mr M
Smith, Mr H B
Stanes, Mr A R
Thorn, Miss Ivy
Thornhill, Mrs
Tollemache, Mr R
Tucker, Miss
Waller, Genl and Mrs
Wanchope, Miss
Wyatt, Mr and Mrs S C

From Brindisi.

Barton, Mr P A
Battye, Mr
Beresford, Mr and Mrs Pack
Besant, Mrs
Bird, Mrs and infant
Biscoe, Mr
Boltho, Miss
Bunett, Miss
Carmichael, Miss
Connan, Mr
Currie, Mr D P
Fernand, Dr E
Ghose, Mr, Mrs and child
Heap, Mr J R
Heatherington, Mr T S
Henderson, Mr J
Irving, Mr W Bell
Jones, Major A E
Keay, Mr Seymour
Kornball, Capt and Mrs C A
Ketteridge, Mr
Levitt, Capt B
Mackie, Mr W
Malcolmson, Mr
Nugent, Mrs and Miss
Ogle, Mr P
Partridge, Mr
Patterson, Rev and Mrs
Persse, Miss
Plews, Mr H W
Robertson, Messrs W & F W
Saunders, Mr T
Sharpe, Mr J N
Shaw, Mr and Mrs H S
Short, Mr B
Sleigh, Mr J N
Stanes, Mr W H
Sullivan, Miss
Taylor, Mr W
Teck, Prince Francis of
Williams, Rev A A
Wolff, Mrs
Wright, Miss

From Gibraltar—Kavlor, Comdr S

From Port Said.

Cowie, Mr F S
Homans, Mr and Miss
Parias, Mr
Zalieby, Mr M D

For Kurrachee.

Cummings, Mr and Mrs
Hall, Mr and Mrs W P, and 3 children
Lund, Mr R
Smith, Miss H Forrest

THESPIAN CLUB.

A performance will be given by this popular Club on Tuesday and Thursday, the 7th and 9th January next, at the Gaiety Theatre, to include the amusing comedietta, "Second Thoughts," and for the first time in India, and by special permission of Mr. Weedon Grossmith, an original farcical comedy, entitled "Faithful James." The Club has also in contemplation the production in February of one of the most laughable eccentricities ever written. It may be noted that the patronage hitherto extended to the entertainments organized by the Thespian Club has enabled the committee to make donations to the amount of Rs. 900 towards deserving institutions. Everyone, therefore, attending the Club performances is not only sure of a good evening's amusement, but can have the satisfaction of knowing that he is indirectly supporting some useful charity.

GOA DESPOTISM.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—I have read with great sorrow the most thrilling accounts of the atrocities and despotism going on in Goa, and which, if true, will in the end produce terrible consequences. Is it not, therefore, time for the Vigilance Committee appointed at a grand meeting of the Goanese, held in Bombay some months back, to protest against the injustice done to the natives of Goa and to appeal to Councillor Amaral, Royal Commissary, as he was then styled, and the Duke of Oporto for immediate redress? If they don't now show courage and stand up in defence of their countrymen they will justly deserve to be styled cowards or traitors, and only fit to make a thundering noise with the object of gaining, I believe, renown and popularity. Now is the time for a general meeting of the Goans.—Yours, &c.,

Dec. 17. A PORTUGUESE.

Here is the final judgment of the tribunal :—"The Board having carefully considered the evidence, and examined the serge frock and trousers, is of opinion that they are damaged by rats, through no carelessness on the part of No. 2373, Lance-Corporal C—— D——; that the damage was unavoidable; that the damaged articles are repairable; and that the expense for repairing—viz., about 1s.—should be charged to the public. (Signed) E—— F——, Captain Royal ——Regiment (president); G—— H ——, Lieutenant; J—— K——, Second-Lieutenant members). Colombo, April 25, 18—."

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Yokohama correspondent of the *Daily News* reports the discovery of a plot to assassinate the Prime Minister and those of his colleagues, who are held responsible for the retrocessions of the Liao-tung Peninsula.

Either there must be great laxity in the control exercised by the authorities at the Kolar gold mines in Mysore, or else the production of the precious metal is becoming so lavish that measures for the proper security of the store have got somewhat out of hand. Two Natives are now being prosecuted there for theft, being found in possession of Kolar gold to the value of Rs. 5,000, which they were caught in the act of melting at the shop of a neighbouring goldsmith. Thefts of this nature are now reported as becoming more frequent, and there is evidently ample room for more effective supervision.

The regrading of Assistant Superintendents of Police in Burma, which has just been sanctioned by the Secretary of State, will open up some prospect for deserving candidates. Under the old arrangement there were eleven in the first-class on Rs. 400 per month, and thirty-seven in the second-class at Rs. 250. In future there will be three grades—12 first grade at Rs. 400, 12 second grade at Rs. 350, and 24 third grade at Rs. 250. Though the numbers are not increased the prospects are distinctly advantageous for there will be room for good men to assert themselves by their own labours winning recognition for promotion.

A Portsmouth correspondent telegraphs that the Malabar, which has arrived at Portsmouth from Bombay, encountered a dense fog on her arrival at the back of the Isle of Wight. The look-out hands were unable to see objects a few feet ahead. Speed was slackened, and the ship's head was turned towards St. Catherine's Point. When the fog lifted the huge trooper was found to be only a few hundred yards from Ventnor pier head. All on board admit that it was a very narrow escape of being grounded on the rock-bound coast. Lieut. and Commander Curteiss was in charge, the captain having been landed at Gibraltar owing to his having met with an accident by spraining his ankle at Bombay.

The *Times'* Constantinople correspondent reports that a shoal of porpoises, mistaken in the moonlight for a torpedo-catcher, drew a brisk cannonade the other night from one of the Dardanelles forts, causing much alarm in the neighbourhood.

The French Chamber has voted urgency for a Bill to compel employers to take back workmen returning home after performing a period of military service in the reserve.

The Government Bill for increasing the taxation of sugar was published in Berlin on Nov. 27, and is condemned by all except the extreme Agrarians. It is expected to raise the retail market price of sugar by 20 or 25 per cent.

During a strike at a cigarette factory at St. Petersburg, in consequence of the introduction of some new machinery, the workpeople proceeded to acts of violence, and the military being called to the scene, 1,000 of the strikers were arrested.

The Lower House of the Austrian Reichsrath, after a stormy sitting on Nov. 23, sanctioned the prosecution of Herr Schneider, a member of the House, for incitement to violence against the Jews. On Nov. 27, the Lower House of the Austrian Reichsrath decided that Dr. Lueger, the Anti-Semitic deputy, should take his trial on the charge of slander brought against him by a Vienna shoemaker.

Captain. W. H. James, lecturing at the R.U.S.I on Nov. 22, on "Modern War," said battles were the dramatic incidents of war, but the periods between the battles were not less important. The tendency of modern developments was greatly to shorten the period of war. The enormous number of men called out would paralyse the productive energy of any country, and the gigantic cost of the operations could not possibly be maintained for long. The cost of a war to-day between France and Germany, for instance, would be at least a million and a-half sterling per day. As to loss of human life, it was lessened in modern warfare by improved means of treating the diseased and wounded; but, at the actual points of conflict, war was far more deadly than ever before, and the moral effect resulting from the infliction of heavy losses was more rapidly produced. The waste of life in war, however, was due not so much to battle as to the fatigue and exposure which the troops suffered between the battles. There were practically only three rules guiding active operations. The first was to concentrate as strongly as possible at the decisive point; the second was to cover the sources of the supplies of men, material, and food; and the third was to threaten the enemy's source of supplies. The feeding of troops was one of the greatest cares of a modern general. The Duke of Wellington used to say that he did not know whether he was a good general, but he was sure he was a very decent commissariat officer.

A very delicate problem confronts the French in Madagascar. They have promptly cashiered Rainilaiarivony, the Prime Minister, and sent him away from the capital; and a much younger man, Rainitsimbazapy, has been put in his place. But the Malagasy custom is that the Prime Minister must be the Queen's husband. Now (says the *Standard's* correspondent) a very grave question arises: Will the Queen marry the new Prime Minister? I can hardly suppose that the French will wish it. The discarded Prime Minister was her husband, and they had been properly married; the new Prime Minister has already a wife; and yet it will be altogether a new feature in Madagascar politics if the Prime Minister is not also the Queen's husband. In the face of this interesting dilemma, the *St. James' Gazette* thinks, that perhaps General Duchesne will be wise in advising the Government that Rainitsimbazapy is not the customary Prime Minister at all, but an entirely new sort of official with the same name. If the custom is no longer binding the parties may settle the matter for themselves.

The report of M. Mastier on the Algerian phosphate concessions says they were granted irregularly and should be annulled; but as the three companies—two English and one French—which are working them acted in good faith they ought to be compensated. The report estimates the outlay actually incurred at 2,000,000£, but demurs to the claim of 9,600,000f. for the cancelling of the sixteen years' lease. The French Senate was officially informed, on Nov. 26, of the conviction of M. Magnier for receiving bribes. His seat will be declared vacant.

A grave clerical scandal has (the Paris correspondent of the *Daily News* writes) come to light at Douai, the religious capital of the north of France, and the birthplace of the Douai Bible. A priest of a suburban parish there has been arrested and sent to Paris on charges of receiving stolen goods and swindling, another culprit being an unfrocked nun, his paramour. At first the authorities of Douai refused to arrest the Abbe, who was highly respected, so two inspectors were sent down from Paris. They found the missing bonds minus the coupons. The Abbe refused to tell where the coupons had gone. His defence is that he intended to devote the stolen money to religious objects.

A marvellous feat in bridge-building was accomplished under the auspices of the G.E.R. Company at Ely, on Nov. 24, when the old timber and cast-iron Outter bridge over the Ouse was replaced by a structure of wrought-iron. The new bridge was constructed on temporary staging on one side of the line, parallel with and clear of the existing bridge, so that it would be quite ready for placing in position as soon as the latter was taken away. This was done, and on the 23rd the new bridge, complete in every respect, including the lines of the permanent way thereon, was to be seen standing alongside the main line in readiness for the change. The work of replacing the old bridge occupied only eleven hours, and involved scarcely four hours' interruption of traffic.

"ELIZABETH R." AT THE NOVELTY THEATRE.

From the Court of Jehangier the Magnificent in the days and scenes that have been made familiar to us in Moore's graceful poem, "Lalla Rookh," to that of Good Queen Bess is a great transition, but Mr. Savage, our Bombay dramatist, has shown in "Elizabeth R." that he is quite as well able to give us a burlesque extravaganza on the period of Renaisance and to draw therefrom numerous topical allusions as to weave together a tale of Oriental history and romance. For the performance of his latest play, Mr. Savage had practically the same material as in the first instance, and the enthusiastic cheers with which the crowded house greeted the production of "Elizabeth R." at the Novelty Theatre, last night, showed that the Orpheans amply satisfied the "first nighters," and sustained the high reputation they gained by the production of "The Emperor Jehangier." There was observable the same care that the principles should be supported with the frequent but not too obtrusive bye-play of "the other puppets," there was the same profusion, one might almost say prodigality, in the matter of costumes and stage accessories: and, in short, the same careful attention paid to details, whether small or great, as was observable in the case of the previous burlesque. It therefore follows that the success of the performance was not one whit inferior to the past triumphs achieved by the Orphean Dramatic Club. Mr. Savage as usual undertook the responsible duties of stage manager, and a large share of the work of arranging the thousand and one preliminaries incidental to dramatic performances fell on the honorary secretary, Mr. L. W. Shaw. The extravaganza, although only a two-act one, would under any circumstance occupy two hours, and the numerous demands for the repetition of songs and dances made by the audience last night extended the evening's enjoyment by half-an-hour, but to reverse a remark of Macaulay's regarding a great but heavy English epic, no one wished it shorter. It need scarcely be said that the orchestration by the Band of the Royal Irish Rifles, under the direction of Mr. Henderson, and with Mr. Seymour Dove at the piano, left nothing to be desired. The costumes were supplied by Messrs. Callian Motee and Co., and the wigs and make-up by Messrs. Finkelstein and Co. The dramatis personæ were as follows :—

The Puppets.

Elizabeth R.		Mr A W Wise.
Mistress Bess Throgmorton	The Queen's Wards.	Miss Whyte.
Mistress Amy Robsart.		,, Dwyer.
Phillida		Mrs Jeans Sweeney.

The Queen's Maids of Honour :—

Tall Dacres	Miss Savage.
Merry Mancell	,, Thorburn.
Gentle Howard	,, Cox.
Beautiful Dormer	,, Dobson.
Modest Beynham	,, Joyce.
Pious Bridges	,, Macdonald.
Learned Coke	,, Tooth.
Wise Arundel	,, Higgins.

Village Maidens :—Miss Carter, Miss Guidera, Miss Gawthorn, Miss Medcalf, Miss Trousdell, and Miss Wise.

Boatswain of the Pelican	Miss Johnson.
William Cecil, Lord Burleigh	Mr J Reed.
Robert Dudley, Earl of Leicester	,, A E Bice.
Sir Walter Raleigh	,, J C Brooks.
Will Tarleton, the Queen's Jester	,, W L Shaw.
Sir Francis Drake	,, G E Howse.
Sir Henry Lee of Ditchley, Captain of the Guard	,, D Christie.
Lord Howard of Effingham	,, R G Oliver.

Courtiers :—

Sir Christopher Hatton	Mr Grant Macpherson.
Sir Thomas Gresham	,, P Morris.
Writnessley, Earl of Southampton.	,, J P Mackeson.
Sir Francis Walsingham	,, B Frank Jones.
Sir Francis Willoughby	,, T Reed.
Lord Hunsdon	,, P W Cresswell.
Sir Nicholas Bacon	,, J Dwyer.
Sir Horace Vere	,, C F Levick.
Esme, Lord D'Aubigney	,, H W Howell.
Dr Doe	,, F H O Sherman.
Sir John Harrington	,, F J Nathan.

Pages :—

Master Gouteret	Master Savage.
Master Digbie	,, Chevalier.

Beef-eaters, Villagers, Sailors, etc.

As becomes a burlesque full of the passing humours of the hour, the plot of the play is very simple. The rise of the curtain reveals to view a merry rural gathering on Richmond Hill, a splendid view of Twickenham being seen in the distance. The lads and lasses after singing, "Now all the world is glistening fair," to an appropriate old English air of the sixteenth century, indulge in a pretty dance, in which the grouping of colours of the various costumes is most effective. As they trip around Mistress Bess Throgmorton and Mistress Amy Robsart, wards of the Queen, enter, and seeing the satisfaction of the rustics, mutually complain that

Love is never found at courts,
In groves and dales by river sides he sports.

The song by Bess at this stage, "Oh man may flit from flower to flower," set to music especially composed by Mr. Henderson of the Royal Irish Rifles, is one of the gems of the opera, and Miss Whyte's intrepretation of it fully entitled her to the enthusiastic applause which greeted it. The latter portion of the song is heard by two young gallants, whose attire, notwithstanding the incongruous appearance of a chimney-pot hat on the head of one of them, speaks of an age of "wayward luxuriance, and prodigality of fancy." They are at once captivated by the beauty of the maidens, who very coyly admit of their advances, and learn that they are Walter Raleigh and the Earl of Leicester. Bess, after a little persuasion, permits herself to be taken to wander by the river Thames in the company of the sentimental Raleigh, and Amy and Leicester also find pleasure in each other's society. Answering the maiden as to "the big star" which adorns his breast, Leicester, who has probably seen a performance of "Kenilworth," answers :

The C. S. I.—if one invents a famine
Or if by threats, cajolery, or bribes
One raises up a shindy 'mongst the frontier tribes
They give one this.

The brief acquaintance soon reaches a climax in offers of marriage to the girls, who rush to each other for advice as to the answer. They tell the gallants that they cannot say "Yes," as they are the wards of the Queen, whose jealousy will be aroused to think that two of her favourite courtiers have passed her own charms by for those of her wards. The young people are at their wit's end to discover a plan for overcoming this difficulty. It is, however, eventually agreed that Raleigh and Leicester shall first pay court to the Queen while the girls flatter by their attentions the wise but singularly vain old statesman Burleigh, since "whate'er he says the Queen is sure to do." The party having sung a merry quartette, "If I have your heart, love," the entry of yeomen of the guard and a crowd of people herald the approach of Elizabeth, the arrival of whose steam-launch,

the temporary absence of everyone else to carry on a flirtation and sing a song with Phillida, a pleasure in which he is interrupted by the entry of Bess and Amy, who pretend great indignation. The scene of the second Act is a quadrangle of Hampton Court, where Phillida and Bess sing a merry duet, "We've a little store of maxims and they regulate our lives," after which the Queen enters fully attended, but is soon left alone with Raleigh, who now summons up courage to ask the hand of her ward, Bess Throgmorton. The rage of Elizabeth, who was expecting an offer of marriage herself, knows no bounds, and after pulling out the hair of the unfortunate courtier, she summons the Guards and orders them to take him to the Tower, but subsequently changes the sentence to one of deportation to Madras—a palpable hit, which evoked great mirth. Leicester comes a little later, and excites the jealous indignation of Elizabeth still more by repeating Raleigh's crime, that of suing for one of her Majesty's wards, with the result that he is also ordered for exile. Burleigh now enters, and indignantly relates to the Queen that the two wards had shown him in an unmistakeable manner their real purpose in dissembling their fondness for him. The next scene introduces Leicester and Raleigh strongly guarded, about to embark for deportation to Madras. They are permitted to sing a sorrowing farewell to old England's shore, and after a vain attempt at escape on the part of Leicester they make their exit. After a duet by Tarleton and Phillida, "Woman is full of guile," of words written to an old English air of the sixteenth century, and arranged by Mr. Henderson, the Queen enters and receives news of the glorious defeat of the Spanish Armada, first from a Captain of the Guard and next from the redoubtable Drake himself. Elizabeth is so delighted at the tidings that she confers the honour of knighthood on Drake forthwith, and learning from him that Leicester and Raleigh had a gallant part in the victory expresses her regret that they should have been banished. However, they appear on the scene at the opportune moment, making their entrance in somewhat unceremonious fashion, and her Majesty extends to them not only her forgiveness for the crime of overlooking her own charms, but also her sanction to their marriage with the wards. Tarleton and Phillida also decide on matrimony, and the curtain drops amidst preparations for a triple wedding. Mr. Wise is usually most at home in the character of the funny-man, but his fulfilment of the imperious role of "the brilliant, fanciful, unscrupulous child of earth and the Renaissance"—although of course only intended as a caricature—showed that his histrionic abilities are by no means confined to low comedy. We must confess, however, that we should have preferred to see the part of the elderly but coquettish Queen assigned to one of the ladies of the company, but no doubt the stage manager had good good grounds for making the choice he did. Miss Whyte has a most attractive stage presence, and her Bess Throgmorton was no less successful than her Noor Mahal. Miss Dwyer was also quite at home in the part of Amy Robsart, and the two young ladies together were a couple with whom any young courtiers might well fall in love at first sight. The part of Phillida could not have been in better hands than those of Mrs. Jeans Sweeney, since it gave the audience frequent opportunities of hearing her charming voice in various ditties. It is no disparagement to the other vocalists to say that her songs were more correctly given than any other. Mr. Bice is acknowledged to be one of the best amateur actors Bombay possesses, and he fully sustained his reputation by his representation of the Earl of Leicester. Mr. Brooks, who took the companion part of Sir Walter Raleigh, once more gave evidence of his entire freedom from nervousness and from the mistake of "overdoing it." Mr. Shaw will understand that we refer simply to his powers as an actor when we say that he was as to the manner born in the role of the Jester. Mr. J. Reed, who acted as Chief Minister of Jehanghier, appeared in a similar capacity for Queen Elizabeth in the part of Lord Burleigh, and fully deserved the hearty applause with which his humorous sallies and comical acts were received. Mr. Howse was quite successful in his representation of Sir Francis Drake. As a trained military officer, Mr. D. Christie was well suited to the part of Sir Henry Lee, the Captain of the Guard. This exhausts the list of the actors who were called upon to take a prominent part in the burlesque—the others (and there were over fifty performers in all) did their best to add to the brilliance and brightness of the scene as Maids of Honour to the Queen, courtiers, village maidens, beef-eaters, rustics, and sailors. Thanks to their co-operation, to the care and skill displayed by the principals, and also to excellent stage management, the performance was a highly creditable one. The play has been produced at great expense, and in order to save the Club from financial loss it is necessary that houses equal to that of last night should be obtained for the further representation to be given on Thursday and Friday evenings. We have no doubt, however, that the needful patronage will be forthcoming. It should be mentioned that the title page of the libretto illustrative of the Elizabethan era was designed by Mr. R. P. W. Strong, as well as the picture at the back said to be a reproduction of a caricature done in the reign, and representing the vivacity of Queen Elizabeth.

AHMEDABAD COTTON MARKET.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—The mill industry here is on a rapid increase, and the city is considered to be next to Bombay in point of mill industry. At present there are 13 mills working here with about 265,000 spindles and 4,500 looms, and seven are under erection, which will contain about 60,000 spindles, and consequently the import of cotton is on the increase. Since the opening of the Rajpootana-Malwa, Godhra and Rutlam Railway, a large quantity of cotton is diverted to this station instead of their shipment to Bombay. The cotton merchants were greatly in need of a suitable place like the "Colaba in Bombay," and the want has of late been supplied by Mr. Toogaldas Damoderdas, an enterprising citizen of this place. He has lately opened a "Cotton Market" by purchasing a large and extensive plot of ground, measuring about one lakh of square yards, on the west side of the road, leading from Prem Gate to the Camp Road, and a market hall has been erected for cotton sellers and buyers to meet and make bargains such as those there are in Wudhwan, Bhownuggur, and Sholapur, and the place is named "Ahmedabad Cotton Market." A beautiful garden is elected near the hall to give a pleasant and charming view to the merchants. The owner has also taken water connection from the Municipality, and about ten fire-proof warehouses, each 100 square yards, for storing cotton in monsoon, an under construction for the use of merchants and mill-owners.—Yours, &c.,

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RAILWAY PASSENGERS' GRIEVANCES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Referring to the suggestions made by the President of the Railway Passengers' Association, Thana, published in our issue of the 16th instant, I wish to say that they are most worthy, and I hope will be attended to by the General Traffic Manager of the G. I. P. Railway. It, however, seems to me that one of the suggestions, viz., that of stopping the down Raichur mail train at Thana, is perhaps more for the comforts of the president and members of the Association than that of the passengers in general as stated therein. How will the stopping of the mail train at Thana only suit the passengers in general? It seems the Association never thought of the inconvenience of the through passengers of the B. B. & C. I. Railway owing to both the down mail trains as well as some through passenger trains not being stopped on Dadur station. I wish the Association had also better urged on the Railway authorities to remove the present inconvenience caused by there being no train for the intermediate stations for about two and half-hours after 8-30 p.m. But why should the Association suggest the same when they are sure that as promised some time ago the General Traffic Manager would fulfil his promise by stopping the Raichur mail train at Thana, and thus they will have an additional train of itself after an hour.—Yours, &c.,

JANARDHAN BALCRISHNA.

Shipping Office, Fort.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Some time ago a small sub-editorial appeared in your paper regarding the New Oriental Bank, now in liquidation, that the assets of the above named bank had been assessed. Could there be any more dividend for its depositors? If my memory serves me right it is about three months that the news had gladdened its depositors, but nothing is yet heard.—Yours, &c.,

Khandwa, Dec. 16. A DEPOSITOR.

THE PORT TRUSTEES' INSPECTION OF BOMBAY HARBOUR.

ONE of the principal events in the social life of Bombay is the annual cruise, which is made the occasion by the Port Trustees of affording prominent citizens a very enjoyable day's outing in the harbour. The inspection this year took place yesterday, when the Trustees and their guests cruised round the harbour and visited the lighthouses, the bunders, and the piers. It may be mentioned that the present board of trustees consists of Mr. W. C. Hughes, chairman; and Messrs. A. F. Beaufort, J. M. Campbell, C.I.E., L. R. W. Forrest (on leave), Fazalbhoy Visram, C.I.E., Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy, Bart, C.S.I., Captain Hext, C.I.E., the Hon. Mr. W. R. Macdonell, Mr. S. M. Moses, Lieut.-Col. H. O. Selby, Messrs. P. C. H. Snow, H. W. Uloth, and Vijbhucandas Atmaram. Some idea of the importance of the duties assigned to the Port Trustees may be formed from the fact that while, in 1870, the value of the trade of the port was forty crores of rupees (merchandise only), its present value is no less than eighty-four crores of rupees. Again, while in 1870, the shipping was—steam 327,194 tons and sailing 372,524 tons, it is at present—steam 2,068,178 tons and sailing 45,322 tons. Again, while in 1870 the Sassoon Dock was the only dock in charge of the Trustees, they have now under their control the Sassoon Dock, area 3½ acres, 19'—6" on sill; the Prince's Dock, area 30 acres, 26'—6" on sill; the Victoria Dock, area 24 acres, 28'—6" on sill; and the Merewether Dry Dock, length 557 feet, 26'—6" on sill. The Trustees and their guests started on their cruise from the new Ballard Pier shortly before 1 o'clock. The following were invited:—H. E. the Governor, and the Right Hon. Earl Spencer, accompanied by Captain Walton, Aide-de-Camp, Major Owen, Messrs. L. Aeppli, A. Abercrombie, M. Abraham, Commander Bean, Messrs. O. T. Barrow, J. P. Baird, Bomonjee Dhunjeebhoy, Surgeon-Colonel Barker, Messrs. G. A. Barnett, C.I.E., C. T. Burke, A. F. Beaufort, Signor C. Barboro, Messrs. E. de Ballou, and T. J. Bennett, Dr. Bhalchandra Krishna, Captain A. Clarke, Mr. J. M. Campbell, C.I.E., Major S. Comfort, Messrs. Cumroodin Amirudin, Currimbhoy Ebrahim, R. G. Currie, G. Cotton, W. Carron, C. H. J. Rustomjee, W. Crowder, T. W. Cuffe, G. P. De Saone, Damodar Premjee, L. Dosogon, A. B. Earle, E. H. Elsworthy, Lieut.-Col. Empson, Messrs. Fazulbhoy Jan Mahomed, A. C. W. Forbery, T. Fraser, Fazulbhoy Visram, C.I.E., Captain Goodridge, Messrs. F. F. Gordon, D. H. Glade, Goverdhandas Khatao Makanjee, Gocouldas Coorjee, Major Hoskyn, Messrs. Hajee Jan Mahomed Hajee Jusab, J. M. Heyn, Kadri Beg Effendi, H. B. Hargrave, W. C. Hughes, Hajee Abdul H. Abadin Shirazee, Hajee Mirza Hoosein Khan, Captain Hext, C. I. E., Messrs. Hajee Jackeria Hajee Ahmed, C. Henriott, Hurjivandas Soonderdas, Hajee Hussein Hajee Abdula, Hajee Saboo Sidick, C. C. James, Itcharam Soorajram Desai, Jamsetjee N. Tata, Nigel Jones, A. M. Jackson, Sir Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy, Bart., C. S. I., Surgeon-Captain Jennings, Messrs. Jamnadas Ghighabhoy, C. J. Kidd, L. B. Ker, K. N. Kabrajee, E. W. Kirby, Khimjee Jairam Naronjee, R. L. Lees, W. Lang, Lukhumsey Nappoo, Laljee Chapsey, John Marshall, A. Murray, the Hon. Mr. W. R. Macdonell, Messrs. W. M. Macaulay, J. K. Moir, J. Moore, G. McLaren, Major Mercer, Mr. Mirza Abbas Ali Baig, Khan Bahadur M. O. Murzban, C.I.E., Messrs. T. H. Moore, Kenneth Macaulay, T. B. Macbeth, S. M. Moses, Munjee Nathoo, Mansooklal M. Moonshi, Mowjee Dwarkadas, Morarjee Jairam, Morarjee Velljee, B. Nicholson, E. F. Nicholson, Captain William Nowell, Messrs. Noormahomed Jairajbhoy, Naranjee Dwarkadas, Major Olivier, Mr. I. O'Callaghan, Captain Potts, Messrs. A. Panton, Geo. C. Plinston, L. Penny, J. M. Ryrie, F. A. Reddie, Rahimtula Khairaj, G. W. Roughton, Rahmubhai Allana, Runchordas Morarjee, Ramdas Bhanjee, Major Swann, Major Scott, C.I.E., Messrs. Silas Sassoon, W. P. Symonds, J. Sanders-Slater, Lieut.-Col. G. M. Stevens, Messrs. F. W. Shaw, W. N. Shilstone, A. Shewan, N. Schmucker, F. D. Stranack, O. Schiller, P. C. H. Snow, E. McLauchlan Slater, W. W. Squire, Shamjee Goverdhundas, G. H. Townsend, W. Thacker, H. M. Thompson, J. Toutaner, G. Frost, Senhor Tavares, Messrs. H. W. Uloth, Vithaldas Damodar Thackersey Mooljee, Dr. Weir, Messrs. H. Wenden, H. C. Wright, J. E. Whiting, Commander G. Wilson, Messrs. E. Yeo, and C. Zanetta. The party proceeded in the s. s. Rajapuri from the Ballard Pier northwards past the Petroleum Pier (south reclamation), Mody and Carnac Bunders, and the entrances to the Victoria and Prince's Docks to off the new coal wharf at Tank Bunder. Thence they proceeded direct to Kennery, passing Sunk Rock, the Prongs Light-house, and the outer light-ship, arriving at Kennery at 3 p.m. An hour was very agreeably spent on the island. Luncheon had been provided on board in the best style by the well-known caterers, Messrs. W. Green and Co. of Apollo Bunder. Leaving Kennery after 4 p.m., the party returned to the Ballard Pier at 6 o'clock.

THE THANA GIRLS' ENGLISH SCHOOL.

THE distribution of prizes in connection with the above school, established by the Bombay East Indian Association on the 12th October, 1890, took place, on Sunday, in the spacious hall of Atkins Buildings, Thana, under the presidency of Mr. J. L. Britto, J.P. There were present between 200 and 300 ladies and gentlemen belonging to the East Indian community, and an excellent Band was in attendance. The hall was tastefully decorated, and a small stage erected in a prominent place. The proceedings commenced at 5-30 p.m. with a performance of "Duchess Transformed" which was very creditably gone through by the little girls. This was followed by calisthenic songs and exercises, which elicited frequent applause. After this, prizes were distributed and a very satisfactory report was read by the secretary. The Rev. Father Pereira having delivered an appropriate speech, Mr. J. L. Britto addressed the assembly at some length. He remarked that from the outset of his connection with the East Indian Association he has been deeply impressed with the great need which existed for the establishment of primary English and Marathi schools in Salsette and Bassein. In establishing 7 schools in those places, the Association had filled up the void to a large extent. The Thana Girls' School was the first experiment made by the Association in the matter of female education, and the success which it had attained was mainly due to the untiring zeal and vigilant supervision of the Thana school board, which deserved the grateful acknowledgments of the Christian residents of Thana. Mr. Britto was glad to see that the East Indian inhabitants of Thana were fully alive to the necessity of educating their girls. He was not going to dwell long on the advantages of female education, which were so well known to all, but would advise the school board to continue with zeal and perseverance the good work they had commenced. The report, he said, was very satisfactory. He was glad to find that the school now stood on a firm basis having been registered under the grants-in-aid rules. It was satisfactory to note that the attendance of East Indian girls was greater this year than on previous years: and now that the school had gained the confidence of the E. I. inhabitants of the place, he had no doubt that the number would increase still more in the future. He was pleased to see that due attention was paid to the physical training of the girls by the encouragement of outdoor games and indoor calisthenic exercises. He was gratified to learn that the energetic Vicar of Thana, the Rev. M. F. Pereira, had taken great interest in the religious education of the Catholic children, and hoped that his example would be followed by other clergymen of the community. (Loud cheers.)

The proceedings terminated with the playing of God save the Queen.

MILITARY NEWS.

SURGEON-CAPTAIN FREEMAN, on arrival from leave, will proceed to Meerut for duty.

LIEUT. T. CLARKE, R.A., on arrival, will proceed to Lucknow for duty.

LIEUT. J. J. TRUSCOTT, R.A., on arrival in Bombay, will proceed to Barrackpore for duty.

SURGEON-MAJOR H. W. HUBBARD, A. M. S., has been posted to the Allahabad District, and on arrival in Bombay will proceed to Allahabad.

2ND-LIEUT. C. R. SPENDING, 2nd Bn. Royal Irish Rifles, is appointed Section Officer, Deolali Depot, vice Lieut. Branson, 2nd Middlesex Regiment, ordered to proceed to Quilon.

FLORILINE.—FOR THE TEETH AND BREATH.—A few drops of the liquid "Floriline" sprinkled on a wet tooth-brush produces a pleasant lather, which thoroughly cleanses the teeth from all parasites or impurities hardens the gums, prevents tartar, stops decay, gives the teeth a peculiar pearly whiteness and a delightful fragrance to the breath. It removes all unpleasant odour arising from decayed teeth or tobacco smoke. "The Fragrant Floriline," being composed in parts of honey and sweet herbs, is delicious to the taste, and the greatest toilet discovery of the age. Price 2s. 6d., of all Chemists and Perfumers. Wholesale Depot, 12, Fascingdon Road London, England.

THE SPENCE REST HOUSE.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

LUNAWADA, DEC. 12.

A VERY interesting ceremony was performed here to-day on the occasion of the arrival of the Political Agent on his annual tour. Lunawada is always known for its public works, and every year we see a happy addition to those that have been provided for by the Raja Saheb for the public good. In a shamiana erected for the occasion the gentry of Lunawada had assembled to witness the ceremony of declaring the Spence Rest House open. Among those present were Rao Bahadur Shamanrao all the Agency officers, the Kumar of Sanjili, Mrs. Nanjiani and Lalshanker Nagershett Gulabchand, and other gentlemen and officers of the State. After Dr. Pollen with the Raja Saheb and the Kumar Saheb took their seats on the dais, the Dewan Saheb, Mr. Dolatram, rose and said:—Durbar Saheb, Dr. Pollen, and Gentlemen,—With your permission I rise to speak a few words in connection with this building, of which we are all assembled here to witness the opening ceremony. It was in the year 1890 that the necessity for some sort of Rest House on the Veri river began to be felt and a subscription list was opened. The matter, however, hung fire for various reasons, the chief among them being some amount of unpaid balance and insufficiency of collected funds to meet the requirements of the case. They were therefore diverted for other works. Be it, however, to the credit of H. H. that after his return from a tour of pilgrimage to the holy cities of the East he gave orders to erect a big Rest House—(cheers)—commanding one of the most beautiful sceneries of Lunawada and capable to hold wayfarers on one side, while amply accommodating those that require fresh and invigorating air. Far be it from me to father any scheme or project upon H. H. which has not been rightly initiated by him and in which he has not lent the weight of his purse, presence, and power—(cheers)—God for bid that I should. His personality is too well known to be amplified by my poor and almost inarticulate voice. Amidst all his dazzling glories and shining equipages a Raja has duties and responsibilities which it would not be profitable for every one to envy or emulate. Even in times of peace he has to grapple with difficulties unique in their nature, formidable in their dimensions and intricate in their essence. He has to fight out subtle foes of hoary custom and deep-rooted superstitions armed with still subtler weapons of ignorance and prejudice. He has to look after the welfare of every unit of a whole that makes up the word "subjects." He has to provide against all possible emergencies looming in the dim and distant future, such as famine, disease, and raids. And yet he has to be the soul and essence of mercy. (Cheers.) Says the Koran:

"A King
Is likest Allah, not in triumphing
Mid enemies o'erthrown, nor seated
On stately soul, nor if the echoing sky
Rings with his name, but when sweet mercy sways
His words and deeds."

(Cheers.) If that be so, a raja to be raja has to exercise mercy while he is chastising, practise generosity while he is taxing, and provide for the future while he is enjoying the present. But his temptations are still greater. He has around him the splendours, the enjoyments and an anticipation of wishes and a treasure-house of his loyal servants and superficial. He is surrounded by flatterers whose insidious albeit sweet words though least understood are far reaching in their consequences. To be served by all is dangerous. To be contradicted by none is worse. (Loud cheers.) Under these circumstances it requires a high standard of excellence and an immense amount of what I may call moral equilibrium—(cheers)—to exercise self-denial and to bring into play all the wise promptings of an unsophisticated and pure heart. Nor need the silent and unobserved yet potent and effective influence of leadership be lost sight of. It is therefore highly gratifying that such works of public utility are carried out and permanently cared for by the Raja himself. It is by such acts alone that a Raja, while fulfilling his duties, initiates his subjects into the principles of generosity and self-sacrifice. Already has a new spirit and sense of citizenship begun to dawn on the horizon of Lunawada, and the Municipality which three years ago I had requested H. H. to establish with feelings of misgivings and doubts has developed itself into a body whose unity and singleness of purpose is the good it has in store for us. Its fruits in the form of conservancy and sanitation, such as widening, cleaning, and lighting the roads, tanks, wells, culverts, and adding to the general beauty and utility of the town. (Cheers.) All this without a penny of additional taxation on the people. (Loud cheers.) Duty is a hard and an unlovely thing, but the man who makes himself in love with it soon finds in it the germs and fruits of happiness. Even in this Rest House will prove a comfort, not only to the people of Lunawada, but to many a weary and heavy-laden traveller. I have great pleasure in proceeding to declare the building open. (Loud cheers.)

Dr. Pollen then proceeded to the spot, and amidst loud and prolonged cheers declared the Spence Rest House open. The inspection of the Dharmshala then followed. The scenery around was very much admired, and the accommodations in the building itself, both for the travellers and the sickly people, were adjudged sufficient and comfortable. After distribution of "pan-supari" and attar the meeting dispersed.

ALLEGED CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD A SHAWL MERCHANT.

SMALL CAUSES COURT.

(Before Mr. C. M. CURSETJI, the 3rd Judge.)

HAJI RAMZANKHAN CASHMERI vs. HAJI ABDUL REHMAN SHIRAZEE.

MR. NUSSERWANJI MEHTA appeared for the plaintiff, while the defendant was represented by Mr. Dadachanji.

His Honour, in delivering judgment, said: The plaintiff's case is that he sold three bundles of Cashmere embroidery to the defendant for Rs. 315-9-9 and he claims to recover the amount. He is a resident of Cashmere, was away for pilgrimage and Mecca, and came to Bombay on return from pilgrimage. He knew one Mahomedshaw also of Cashmere but doing business in Bombay in shawls, &c. The latter being in monetary difficulties borrowed Rs. 125 from plaintiff and handed him a packet of Cashmere ribbons or embroidery to be sold by the plaintiff and out of the proceeds to pay himself the amount due to him. Rs. 125 from one Pandit Nilioo to whom that sum was due from the said Mahomedshaw and if any surplus, to pay over same to the latter. Plaintiff accordingly sold the said goods to the defendant through the broker Shaboodeen. On the other hand the defendant's story is that he did buy the three bundles of Cashmire ribbons, for Rs. 315-9-9 and that he bought the same from Mahomedshaw direct and as Mahomedshaw died three or four days after, crediting to Mahomedshaw's account with himself, Rs. 116 odd balance due on such account from Mahomedshaw, he paid over the balance to another creditor of Mahomedshaw's, who had filed a suit for his debt and had taken out prohibitory order, under it against the moneys in defendant's hands. The issue then between the parties is reduced to a simple one. Did the plaintiff sell the goods to the defendant? To decide this question, the court has obviously to consider which side is most deserving of credence, and to do this, the balance of probabilities, as they arise in the evidence from the circumstances of the case, are mainly to be looked to. I have accordingly very carefully considered the evidence and weighed the probabilities, I find that the plaintiff succeeds in showing that the goods were really sold by him to the defendant and the defendant is thus liable to pay the price of them to the plaintiff. The plaintiff is strongly corroborated by the broker Shaboodeen. No reason of any weight is given why the witness should commit perjury in favour of Lieut W Beale. Seeing that this broker earns his brokerage from the defendant and that the plaintiff is a casual visitor to Bombay, from whom he has no prospect of habitual customer and with whom he is not shown in any way to be more particularly connected, it is unlikely that he should give false evidence against the defendant. If anything he might be inclined the other way. Again plaintiff's story is not shown to be improbable. He and Mahomedshaw being both of the same country, he was willing to help the latter "alia pench provedal" his money was secured and hence he lent Rs. 125 on the security of the goods in question. If plaintiff was merely lying, it is not clear why he should say he lent only Rs. 125. He might have said Rs. 300 or Rs. 400 and he would never have imported the name of the other debtor Niljoo into the matter. He thus took charge of the goods. Mahomedshaw was then admittedly ill, and it is likely he would make the arrangement sworn to by the plaintiff, as he was not able to attend to the matter himself. As it happened, the man died within three days of the sale. Defendant again calls no evidence to show that Mahomedshaw had come and sold him the goods, whilst he admits that it was this same broker who negotiated the sale and it was the plaintiff who assisted for two days to measure the ribbons. On both these points he unconsciously corroborates the plaintiff. The exhibits the defendant put in, are extremely unsatisfactory. Exhibit No. 5 strikes me as very doubtful one and evidently made long after the event. The date of "28 Safar" is also an after addition, whilst exhibit C. on which both sides rely more strongly confirms what the plaintiff and the broker say. The signature of the broker on exhibit C. is admitted by the defendant to be altered. Defendant admits the broker had written "I sold the goods of Pandit Niljoo and of Ramzankhan Cashmere." The last name, which is that of the plaintiff scored over and in its place the name of "Mahomedshaw" has been attempted to be written over. Defendant says this alteration was made by the broker. The broker not only denies it but swears he refused to make the alteration though the defendant pressed him. In the above circumstances of the evidence I may I must hold this alteration in exhibit C. to be a fraudulent tampering of the document. Again the defendant's only witness, his mehta, who speaks to the transaction, strongly contradicts him on certain material points and he struck the court as an unreliable witness generally. Another, and I consider a very strong point against the defendant is the fact (if it be a fact) which defendant swears to that he has after deducting what was due to him, made over the balance of the sale proceeds to a creditor of Mahomedshaw who had brought a suit and taken out prohibitory order. Now examining the suit which is suit No. 23,633 of 95 I find that the suit was filed on the 14th September last against the widow and heirs and son and daughter, both said to be minors of Mahomedshaw. The name of the son appears to be wrong in the summons. This suit was filed after the plaintiff and defendant had been at variance in respect of this claim and after plaintiff had served defendant with notice of his claim and made the threat of legal proceeding. Such other suit is brought by the defendant's witness Goolam Mahomed who is a customer of the defendant and has an account with him. This Goolam Mahomed admits, he holds at the present moment and did so at the time of his said suit, shawls belonging to the said Mahomedshaw, the value of which he was unable to state and yet he filed his suit and took out interim attachment before judgment against the proceeds of sale of the ribbons in defendant's hands. How Goolam Mahomed became aware of the sale in defendant's hands is not shown but it is apparent enough. Then having easily enough obtained a prohibitory order against his defendant before judgment, he serves it on the defendant and without more and without any further direction from the court, the defendant pays over to this Goolam Mahomed Rs. 196-2-10 and Goolam Mahomed comes into court on the 13th October last, and has his suit which is for Rs. 225-7-6 with costs Rs. 22-6 marked "settled." He never issued the summons in the suit, though his suit was filed on the 14th September and marked "settled" a month after. No attempt was made to take out the summons or warn defendant of the suit and of the attachment. The defendant says he paid the money to this Goolam Mahomed after consulting one Mohideen Mahomed, who is supposed to hold a power of attorney from the widow of the said Mahomed Shaw. This Mohideen is a servant of one Essoofshaw, a shawl dealer, who has dealings and account with the defendant. The so-called power of attorney seems to be executed by somebody on Mahomed's and is dated 3rd October 1895. Curiously the defendant says (as he alleges) the money under the prohibitory order to the said Goolam Mahomed here on the 3rd October! The date of the endorsement of payment on the prohibitory order is clearly the 3rd October, though Goolam Mahomed swore the payment was on the 13th October. This state of facts, which are no way explained, speak for themselves and to my mind reveal a distinct attempt to conspire on the part of the defendant and his witnesses to defraud the plaintiff out of his money. The time of the bringing of this suit, the interim attachment before judgment, the goods still in Goolam Mahomed's hands, the doubtful power of attorney, the inter connection between the defendant and his witnesses, the precipitancy of the entire proceedings and other extreme irregularity point to another conclusion. I must accordingly find that the goods were sold to defendant by the plaintiff as his goods so far as the defendant was concerned and defendant is liable to pay the price of the same as per summons. Decree confirmed. Defendant to pay Rs. 30 to plaintiff as professional costs.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—DECEMBER 13.

Purdon, Capt, Hyd Cont, 6th Infy, on furlough, from Jalna.
Rinton, Lt, Hyd Cont, 6th Infy, on furlough, from Jalna.

DECEMBER 16.

Winter, Capt, Ma. R A, from Hingali.

DECEMBER 17.

Wistropp, Capt, Bo, A C G, on duty, from Abu.

DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 14.

Purdon, Capt, Hyd Cont, 6th Infy, on furlough, to England.
Rinton, Lt, Hyd Cont, 6th Infy, on furlough, to England.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR G. W. ROUGHTON, COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, 18th December, 1895.

1. There will be 10-inch R. M. L. Gun Drill at the Fort and Nesbit Road Head Quarters to-morrow the 19th instant at 8-30 p.m.

2. On Saturday next, 21st instant, the Corps will parade on the Oval, in front of the Club premises, Rampart Row, at 4 p.m. sharp and then proceed to Colaba North Fort to continue the annual Gun Target Practice.

Dress:—Drill order without arms. Putties to be worn.

3. The following member having resigned is struck off the strength of the Corps from 13th instant:—Gunner J Stanley Smith.

4. Leave of absence for 2 months from this date has been granted to Gunner E. G. Rodgers.

By Order,
A. J. PEILE, Lieut., R. A.
Adjutant, B. V. A.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COLONEL R. S. BROWN, V.D., COMMANDING B. V. R.

Bombay, 18th December, 1895.

1. A Guard of Honour consisting of 100 Rank and File with the Band, will parade on the Oval, opposite the High Court, at 3-30 p.m. to-day (Wednesday) the 18th instant, for the purpose of receiving his Excellency the Governor. Captain J. W. Smith will command the Guard.

Dress:—Review order khaki.

2. There will be no parade on Saturday afternoon the 21st instant.

3. The Range at Coorla will be available for Class Firing throughout the day on Saturday next, the 21st instant.

4. The Commanding Officer has been pleased to grant leave of absence to the undermentioned officer and N. C. officer:—

Lieut R Snell, from 17th December 1895 to 12th January 1896 both days inclusive.

Sergt J Robinson, "E" Company from 16th December 1895 to 30th April 1896.

By order,
C. MOSS, Captain,
Adjutant, B. V. R.

NOTICE.

There will be a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Bombay Volunteer (Light Horse and Rifles) Rifle Association at Head-Quarters at 5-45 p.m., on Thursday next the 19th instant.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ORDERS.

(*Gazette of India*, December 14.)

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Mr J Tweedie is permitted to resign H M's Indian Civil Service with effect from the 13th Dec.

The services of Surgn Capt W E Jennings, M R C M I M S (Bengal), are placed temporarily at the disposal of the Govt of Bombay, with effect from the date on which he may assume charge of his duties under that Government.

The services of Surg-Major A V Anderson, M B, I M S, (Bombay), are placed temporarily at the disposal of the Govt of Bombay, with effect from the date on which he may assume charge of his duties under that Government.

Bgde Surgn Lieut Col G Hutchenson, M D, is reappointed to be Deputy Commissioner, N-W Provinces and Oudh, with effect from the 23rd Oct, vice Surgn Major S J Thomson, I M S, (Bengal), who reverted to his substantive appointment of Depy Sanitary Commissioner of the N-W Provinces and Oudh on that date.

The services of Lieut C McC Poulter, I.S.C. 29th Madras Infy, are placed at the disposal of the Chief Commissioner of Burma for employment as an Asst Comdt in the Burma Military Police.

The Rev W Kitchin, a Junior Chaplain on the Bengal Ecclesiastical Estabt, to be a Senior Chaplain with effect from the 13th Nov.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND AGRICULTURE.

Mr A E Spring, Asst Supdt, 1st grade, Survey of India Dept is granted furlough for two years.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Lieut L A Forbes, I S C, offg Political Asst of 3rd class, and Asst Commissioner, Thal Chotiali, and Asst Political Agent, Bhijpari Railway Dist, has passed in the subjects prescribed under rule II, clause A, of the rules for the examination of junior officers in the Political Dept.

The undermentioned officer is granted leave to proceed out of India, on private affairs, under the leave rules for the Staff Corps: the specified period to count from the date of being struck off duty:—Lieut W D Daunt, I S C, Sqdn Commdr, sub pro tem, 1st Regt, Central India Horse, for one year.

The services of Lieut J Beale, I S C, are replaced at the disposal of the Govt of Bombay, with effect from the 27th Nov, 1895, upon which date he was relieved of his duties as offg Asst to the Govr Genl's Agent at Baroda.

Capt A McConaghey, I S C, offg Political Asst of the 2nd class, is posted, on return from privilege leave, as Asst Political Agent and Asst Commissioner in Quetta and Pishin, with effect from the date of assuming charge.

Lieut P T A Sipson, I S C, Political Agent of the 3rd (officiating 1st) class, is posted as Asst Political Agent in Zhob, with effect from the date of assuming charge.

Capt P G Cox, I S C, Asst Political Agent, Mahi Kantha, is appointed to officiate as Asst to the Agent to the Govr-Genl at Baroda, vice Lieut W Beale, and until further orders.

The Govr-Genl in Council is pleased to invest Mr A C Hankin, C I E, Asst Genl Supt, Thagi and Dacoity Dept, with the powers of a Magistrate of the first class, as defined in the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1882, to be exercised within the limits of H H the Nizam's territories in all cases in which such powers may lawfully be exercised by the Govr-Genl in Council within such territories: provided that nothing herein contained shall be deemed to apply to the Cantonment of Secunderabad or to any railway lands situated within the said territories.

Mr H C Egerer, Offg Solicitor to the Govt of India, is appointed to officiate as Agent to the Govr-Genl in Council for the affairs of the late king of Oudh and for the purposes of Act XIX of 1837, with effect from the 12th Dec, and during the absence on leave of Mr W K Eddis.

The following promotions and reversions of officers of the Account Department during the month of Nov, 1895, are notified:—

With effect from 6th Nov, Mr T H Biggs to officiate in class I; Mr W H Dobbie to officiate in class II, instead of in class I; Mr H S Groves to revert to class III; Messrs G D Podmujee and W D F Cowlyr to exercise the powers of class IV; and Mr C W C Carson to officiate in class VI, instead of in class V, of the Enrolled List.

With effect from 13th Nov—Mr W D Woollam to officiate in class VI of the Enrolled List.

With effect from 14th Nov—Mr K L Datta to officiate in class V, instead of in class IV; and Mr J C Mitra to officiate in class VI, instead of in class V, of the Enrolled List.

With effect from 18th Nov—Mr J P Bedford to officiate in class III; Mr A H Anthony to revert to class IV; Mr M A Hydari to revert to class V; and Mr L J W Morgan to officiate in class VI, instead of in V, of the Enrolled List.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Capt W E Wimble, I S C, Depy Asst Comsry Genl, 1st class, to be Asst Comsry Genl, 4th class; and Capt E A Gayer, I S C, Depy Asst Comsry Genl, 2nd class, to be Depy Asst Comsry Genl, 1st class; with effect from the 18th Nov, vice Lieut Col S R Rawlinson, D S O, I S C, Asst Comsry Genl, 3rd class, who has retired.

Surg Col H S Muir, M D, Army Medical Staff, is brought on the Administrative Medical Staff of the Army, vice Surgn Col W D Wilson, Army Medical Staff, who has reverted to the home establishment, dated 4th Nov.

Bgde Surgn Lieut Col R C Eaton, Army Medical Staff, to officiate as Principal Medical Officer, Bengal Command, vice Surgn Col (temporary Surgn Major Genl) T Maunsell, appointed to officiate as Principal Medical Officer, Bengal Command, dated 31st Oct.

The undermentioned Surg Lieut, appointed to the Bengal establishment in G G O No 297 of 1895, reported his arrival at Bombay on the date specified:—C H Bensley 4th May.

The undermentioned Surgn Lieut, appointed to the Madras Establishment in G G O No 982 of 1895, reported his arrival at Bombay on the date specified:—T E Watson 27 Oct.

Lieut E L Swifte, Devonshire Regt, Wing Officer, 4th Punjab Infy, having completed eighteen months' probationary service, is admitted to the Indian Staff Corps from the 22nd March, 1894, subject to confirmation by the Secy of State for India.

INDIAN STAFF CORPS.

The following promotions are made, subject to H M's approval:—

Majors to be Lieut-Cols—A de Vere Alexander, and R F Trotter, dated 8th Dec.

Lieut to be Capt—F DeBude Young, dated 9th Dec.

COLONEL'S ALLOWANCE.

The undermentioned Colonels of the Indian Staff Corps are admitted to the Colonel's allowances, with effect from the dates specified:—11th Dec, T R Tabuteau, 12th Dec—H G Pritchard, CSI, Unemployed Supernumerary List; W H Wilkins, J Grierson, E Shaw and G Chrystie.

ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT.—Bengal.

Sub Condr E Richardson, to be Condr, with effect from the 17th Oct, vice Condr W Devine, retired.

INDIAN SUBORDINATE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

Second class Asst Surgn G R Allan, having completed 14 years' service, is promoted to 1st class Asst Surgn, with effect from the

MILITARY AND NAVAL NOTES.

The new Commander-in-Chief has commenced well, and this in spite of the absence of Orders in Council and other definitions of his powers and position. He has had an expedition to equip and despatch, and never has a little army—or perhaps it would be more correct to call a military delegation—been organised with greater promptitude and less perturbation than that which is now on its way to Ashantee. Lord Wolseley is endowed with many gifts. He is one of the most capable generals of our time, but not the least valuable of his attributes is undoubtedly his luck. He took up his duties in Pall Mall on the very day it was decided to send a force to the Gold Coast. He called his staff around him, and there was no question on anyone's part as to who was to order and who to obey. Within twenty-four hours of the decision of the Cabinet having been given, the arrangements for the expedition were being quietly carried out.

This innovation is rapidly asserting itself as an adjunct to an army. Many general officers have borne witness to the usefulness of cyclists as orderlies and messengers to the great saving of horse-flesh. Quite apart from the disputed point as to the value of cyclists for fighting purposes, all are unanimous that there are numerous duties on which they can be employed, but as yet they have in this country recived but scant official recognition or encouragement. On the Continent they have long been established, and now in Holland it is proposed to equip a corps of cyclists for which purpose no fewer than 3,000 bicycles would be required. It is thought likely that this large order will lead to a discussion upon modern military tactics which must be affected in some degree if so large a body of wheelmen appear in the field. Hitherto in Holland, military cyclists have not been under proper discipline, and this is stated to have been very noticeable at the last manœuvres. Hence the proposal of the Minister of War to form them into a regular corps. If the idea is carried out it will form a very useful object lesson to other countries.

It seems probable that for purposes of signalling at long distances considerable alterations will have to be made in the masting of men-of-war. The Renown, which is about to be fitted out at Devonport, is to be provided with three masts, the first of our modern men-of-war to be so equipped; while the fore and mainmasts, will carry fighting tops and guns, the mizen will be used for signalling purposes only. Most of the older battleships and cruisers will be supplied with longer masts than they have at present. All the heavier vessels, including the new second-class cruisers of the Talbot type, will have masts at least 170ft. long in height above the normal waterline. The cruisers of the Astræa and Apollo type will have masts 150 feet high, and the smaller second-class cruisers will have masts of 140 feet in height. The torpedo gunboats of the Sharpshooter and Halcyon types will be provided with 120 feet masts, and yards for signalling purposes will be fitted on these masts.

A perusal of the new Order in Council defining the duties of the principal officers charged, under the Secretary of State for War, with the administration of the departments of the army, leads one to the satisfactory conclusion that the latest reorganisation scheme is, taken as a whole, far in advance of any of its predecessors, and is well calculated to promote the more efficient working of the War Office. Though relieved from some of the duties, the absurd amount of which rendered it impossible for his predecessor to really personally supervise them in their entirety, we are glad to find that there is no attempt to make the new Commander-in-Chief anything less than his title properly conveys. To have introduced either in name or in effect a "Chief of the Staff" into our army system would have assuredly been a fatal mistake.

The Admiralty are evidently pressing forward the building programme of ships during the present financial year, for only a short time since the moulds for steel shaft brackets for the Arrogant and Furious were sent to the Coltness Iron Company, and the castings for the respective ships are to be delivered on December 28, 1895, and January 11, 1896.

The Queen, with her usual kind heart, has sent a message to the First Lord of the Admiralty expressing her grief at the disaster and at the loss of so many seamen. Her Majesty asks for further details, and wishes her sympathy conveyed to the bereaved families. Steps are being taken at Plymouth by a committee of naval officers and men to raise a fund in connection with the disaster. At a meeting held on Wednesday, at which Sir Algernon Lyons presided, a relief committee was appointed, and it was decided that any funds raised should be given to the Soldiers' and Sailors' Association to administer, and on no account should the Patriotic Commissioners have anything to do with the matter. The Admiralty have as usual taken immediate steps to alleviate distress by informing those concerned that all allotments will be continued for two months; thus anyone who is dependent upon any of the lost seamen will not feel their loss financially for some little time. The Royal Naval Fund, which was started with the profits of the Naval Exhibition, has also come promptly to the front. This fund has its committees at the seaports, a number of ladies who are interested in, and well known to, the wives and families of the bluejackets and marines. Through this source the committee of the fund at once took measures to assist in necessitous cases.

The summary of Sir Edmund Fremantle's speech at the dinner of the China Association, from which we quoted last week, appears to express somewhat inaccurately his meaning. From a more detailed report it seems that what he actually said was that, "as we were a nation peculiarly disposed we were often scarcely prepared for new developments or fresh departures necessary to safeguard our interests," and then he added "that he had the idea that if the Japanese were to have Formosa we ought to have taken the Pescadores, and if there was any truth in the recent reports as to Russia making a base of Port Arthur we ought to occupy Chusan, so as to have a base where we could have the necessary depots of coal, provisions, ammunition, and the like." It will be noticed that by these words the admiral considerably qualified the statements contained in the summary we quoted, and we may futher say that he prefaced his remarks by stating that he did not want to dogmatise on the subject, which we take to mean that he spoke "exhypothesi," and that his views would probably be modified by circumstances. We take this early opportunity of explaining the matter now that we have fuller knowledge, since it is obviously unfair to allow it to be assumed that the late Commander-in-Chief on the China Station advocates immediate annexation in those seas.

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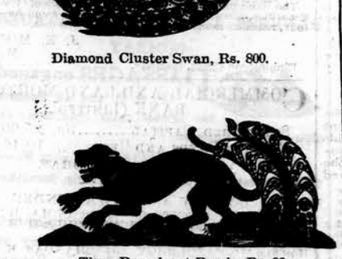
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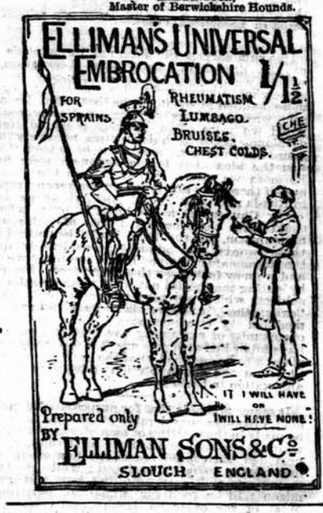

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